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It's a Small World, and Getting Smaller: Mansfield Ventures into Nanotechnology

Mike Chester's office and lab appear to be like any other in Grant Science Center but if you listen very closely when you walk in, you may hear the refrain from the Disney tune *It's a Small World*.

That's because Chester, associate professor of Physics, is heading up Mansfield's fledgling program in nanotechnology.

"It's a new technology, a new science," Chester says. "On this small scale things don't necessarily behave the same as they do on a big scale. It's not like going out and building a house with hammer and nails. At this point the limitations are probably more in the mind than in the equipment."

Whether you understand this new science or not, the bottom line is that MU faculty and students are now dealing with the very, very small in a very big way.

What is it?

Nanotechnology is an umbrella term that covers areas of research dealing with objects that are measured in nanometers. A nanometer (nm) is a billionth of a meter, or a millionth of a millimeter.

To give those dimensions some perspective, consider that DNA molecules are two to 12 nm wide. A human hair has a diameter of about 50,000 nm. The applications of the technology are mostly envisioned in manufacturing. Today's methods are still crude at the molecular level. Casting, grinding, milling and even lithography move atoms in great quantities.

"It's like trying to make things out of LEGO blocks with boxing gloves on your hands" is the way current manufacturing methods are described in several publications explaining the applications of nanotechnology. "Yes, you can push the LEGO blocks into great heaps and pile them up, but you can't really snap them together the way you'd like. In the future, nanotechnology will let us take off the boxing gloves."

In this new century, machines are becoming increasingly smaller. Nanomachines will be used to manufacture consumer goods at the molecular level, piecing together one atom or molecule at a time to make everything from medicines to cars.

"Contact lens, the new ones and the ones with the different colors, are an example of nanotechnology," Chester says. "They put down layers of material, atomic layers, that have different optical properties."

The total market value associated with nanotechnology is estimated at one trillion dollars and growing. Materials and material processing, the electronics and semiconductor

industries, pharmaceuticals, chemical plants and supply industries are in the initial stages of using or are developing nanotechnology.

"There are employment prospects in all high tech growth areas for our graduates," Chester adds. "There's micro-electronics, the pharmaceutical industry, the chemical industry and the list goes on."

Getting in on the Ground Level

The Pennsylvania Center for Applied Nanotechnology (PA-CAN) was formed in the fall of 2001. The collaborative was open to faculty and administrators from the 14 Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) universities interested in nanoscience and nanotechnology.

Chester became MU's representative on the newly formed collaborative. Six other PASSHE schools are also participating.

The mission of PA-CAN is "to provide educational and physical resources, to provide faculty development and service opportunities, and to provide service, consultation, and applied research in the field of nanoscience and nanotechnology."

While it is a PASSHE collaborative, many of the curricular and professional development activities are directly linked with the \$30 million dollar Penn State Nanofabrication Facility, which is funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF).

Shortly after the first PA-CAN meeting, Chester began designing a physics concentration in nanotechnology. Within a year, a new degree program was approved enabling Mansfield to offer a nanotechnology concentration within the physics and chemistry degree programs. As part of the program, students complete an 18 credit hour laboratory experience at the Penn State Nanofabrication Facility.

Frederick Chua became the first MU graduate in the program when he received a physics degree with nanotechnology concentration in December.

A native of the Philippines who now lives in the Sayre area, Chua spent the fall semester completing an internship and doing contract work at the DuPont manufacturing facility in Towanda.

While still pursuing a job in research and technology when this issue of the *Mansfieldian* went to print, Chua is confident he'll land something with a major corporation soon. He credits the MU program with preparing him for that.

"When I talk to recruiters at job fairs, the ones with big companies, they tell me this is a very good school," Chua says. "It's a very good program and has us (Mansfield) opening doors."

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FROM MY VIEW

Of Science and People

An academic career which began in industrial engineering has helped me to fully appreciate the importance of innovation and how technology is transforming our lives. The new science of nanotechnology is opening up new frontiers with fascinating possibilities in such diverse fields as aerospace, medicine, engineering, entertainment, and intelligence – to name a few.

As you will read in this issue, Mansfield is on the cutting edge of this new technology thanks to dedicated faculty like Mike Chester, the inquiring minds of Mansfield University students, and the foresight of officials in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Speaking of dedicated faculty, there are few who compare with Bob Maris's commitment to students and through his service as teacher, mentor, advisor and coach. Bob answers the call wherever he sees a need and Mansfield students are the beneficiaries. Enjoy the article about Bob and wish him a speedy recovery from his recent surgery.

Rod Kelchner's dedication to Mansfield spans more than three decades. When the Council of Trustees suggested him as our December Commencement speaker, we did not hesitate to invite Rod back to speak to, motivate and congratulate our newest alumni. I enjoyed the opportunity to welcome Rod back to campus, and it was an honor to begin our official recognition of graduates by awarding him an honorary doctorate.

Fall Commencement was the culmination of the first half of my term at MU. Throughout these past months my wife Kay and I have had the chance to meet many friends of MU. During the Fabulous 1890s Weekend, the alumni and student events for Homecoming, the Foundation's major donor dinner and numerous campus events and meetings, we have had the opportunity to get to know many of you and to hear your perspective on MU's admirable history. Kay and I have found that it is your loyalty, your dedication to and your love of Mansfield that is the life blood of this university.

I'm looking forward to an exciting spring semester and the opportunity to meet many more of Mansfield's wonderful alumni, parents, students and friends.

David Werner
Interim President

Presidential Search

The search for Mansfield University's 26th president is well underway. With the support of the search firm of Witt/Kieffer, Judy Hample, chancellor of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, the Mansfield University Council of Trustees and the Presidential Search Committee are conducting a nationwide search.

For the latest information on the process, go to mansfield.edu and click on the "Presidential Search" button.

Former President Kelchner Honored

Rod Kelchner, former president of Mansfield University, was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters during the school's 141st Commencement on Saturday, December 17 in Decker Gymnasium.



Rod Kelchner

The MU Council of Trustees unanimously passed a resolution to bestow the honor on

Kelchner at a special meeting on Friday, October 14. The University Senate had approved the recommendation on September 22.

Kelchner also served as the speaker at Commencement.

"Rod was truly a unifying force for Mansfield University when he became president in 1984," Lew Lee, chair of the Council of Trustees, said in making the announcement. "He served the university in so many varied positions but it was in his time as president that, in effect, he saved Mansfield University."

"From all I've heard and read, Rod Kelchner was a very humane and compassionate person who cared deeply for the university and the region," Interim President David Werner added. "He guided Mansfield University through some tumultuous years, stabilized it and helped it flourish. The honorary degree is deserved recognition for a president who did so much for Mansfield."

Kelchner came to Mansfield in 1964 as a history instructor and assistant dean of men. He held several positions during his 34 years of service to the university, including dean of students, head football coach, associate professor, dean of development and external relations, interim president and then president, serving in that capacity from 1984 until his retirement in 1998.

Kelchner launched the drive to save and restore North Hall and in 1996 oversaw the dedication ceremonies for what is the centerpiece structure on the Mansfield campus.

In 1998, MU students began a movement that resulted in the Council of Trustees passing a resolution to name the new campus fitness center in Kelchner's honor.

"Rod had the respect of everyone from all the campus constituencies and in the community," Lee said. "He was truly a person who came at the right time and provided extraordinary service to Mansfield University."

In accordance with Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Board of Governors' policy, an honorary degree may be awarded to recognize distinguished service, creativity, scholarship, or other individual accomplishment in the service of humanity, whether in scientific, social, academic, creative, business, public, or other appropriate sphere.

Commencement was held after this edition of the Mansfieldian went to press. There will be more on the ceremony and former President Kelchner in the next issue.

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MU Students Participate in Urban Teacher Preparation Program

Eleven Mansfield University students took part in the 2005 Urban Teacher Preparation Program, an impressive jump from the two students who took part in 2004.

MU students taking part this year were: Hope Prothero, Chavon Croman, Joy Emmett, Joanna Fuller, Maurice Gehring, Danielle Hamson, Kristopher Lorson, Laura Thomas, Lorrie Ward, Cheryl Wilbur, Julie Wold, and Graduate Assistant Morgan Williams.

Jannis Floyd, professor of Education and Special Education, was awarded grant funding for the second consecutive year to continue Mansfield's involvement in the program.

Also new in 2005 is the advancement of the program from an individualized instructional opportunity into a three-credit course titled "Urban Education Seminar."

The program is designed to introduce pre-service teachers - education majors in their freshman through senior years - to the unique challenges and opportunities that inner-city classrooms present via hands on experience. Classroom teaching, professional development workshops, volunteer community service projects, learning forums, required readings and written assignments are just a sampling of what the two-week whirlwind experience entails.

Floyd says that the program is an important opportunity for Mansfield students given the limited amount of diversity on the MU campus. "It's a great way to help students to overcome stereotypes about life in inner-city schools," she said. "Just because some of the school buildings may be old and rickety doesn't mean that education isn't taking place, or that kind, caring, consistent teachers aren't present."



(L-R) Jannis Floyd, Chavon Croman, Hope Prothero, Joanna Fuller, Joy Emmett, and Lorrie Ward go sightseeing in Philadelphia during a break from their busy schedule.

Floyd also pointed out the opportunities that have resulted from the program, enabling students to network with professional teachers and administrators in the Philadelphia area.

The program is funded by the School District of Philadelphia and the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE).

The two week intensive program took place May 15 -27. Students lived in dorms at LaSalle University, located near the schools where they teach. The program also featured two renowned black educational leaders: Salone Thomas El, the author of *I Chose to Stay—A Black Teacher Refuses to Desert the Inner City*, and Elijah Anderson, author of *Code of the Street*. Both served as motivational guest speakers at this year's seminar.

Mansfield University in the National News

MU faculty and administrators are frequently in the national news, often contributing to the public dialogue on important issues. MU's programs and practices make news also. Here are examples:

"The bill has been approved by the House Tourism and Recreational Development Committee. It won't be considered by the full House until Mansfield University of Pennsylvania completes a statewide opinion poll of residents on the issue early in 2006." —*The Erie Times-News*, Oct. 10, 2005, in an article about pending legislation to forbid Pennsylvania schools from opening before Labor Day.

"Thoughtful planning rather than a rush to rebuild the vulnerable city now lost can ensure that the spirit of New Orleans lives on as we move toward a renewed, still vibrant and safe metropolitan area." — **Peter Keller**, professor of psychology, and **Hobart King**, professor of geography and geology, from their *Harrisburg Patriot-News* op/ed titled "Rebuild New Orleans But Do It Safely," Oct. 7, 2005."

"Creating a new agency may not be much of an improvement, said **Barbara Schmitt**, Mansfield University's financial-aid director and president of the Pennsylvania Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. "From a school's perspective, they're already very separate," she said. "We deal with the loan division and we deal with the grant division. There doesn't seem to be any gray area." —*The Associated Press*, Oct. 7, 2005, in an article titled "Lawmakers Seek Change to PA's Student Loan Agency."

"Mr. (Scott) Thornsley, a former corrections officer who now teaches at Mansfield University, said the amendment made a sensible change. 'It took a unanimous vote to convict somebody,' he said. 'It should take a unanimous vote to send a case to the governor. If you're going to have a sentence it should be served out in its entirety.'" —*The Sunday New York Times*, Oct. 2, 2005, in a front-page article titled "To More Inmates, Life Term Means Dying Behind Bars."

"At Mansfield University, people in period football uniforms re-enacted some pre-1905 football, using 'mass play' football formations such as the flying wedge. The play involves a group locking arms and charging up the



Hobart King

Peter Keller

Julia Overton-Healy

field in a 'V' formation. The 1905 college football season recorded 18 deaths and 149 serious injuries." —*USA TODAY*, Sept. 26, 2005.

"The re-enactment, which occurs every year in late September, actually is performed to celebrate the first night football game played at Mansfield in 1892. The eight-play scripts are chock-full of pre-1905 mass formation plays." —*The Associated Press* in a feature story about MU's annual re-enactment of the first night football game, Sept. 23, 2005.

"Mansfield University will present a bachelor's degree posthumously to Staff Sgt. Ryan Ostrom, 25, of Tioga County. He was killed August 9 while serving with the National Guard in Iraq. University Provost **Michael Renner** says Ostrom completed requirements for a degree in liberal studies with minors in chemistry and education before leaving in December to train for duty." — *USA TODAY*, via *The Associated Press*, Aug. 16, 2005.

"In 1980, Pennsylvania prisons housed 370 inmates who were 50 years of age or older. By 2004 that number had grown to 5,082. Many of these inmates are seriously ill and in facilities not designed to care for the aged and infirm." —Op/Ed by **Scott Thornsley** that appeared in the Aug. 14, 2005 *Harrisburg Patriot-News* and the July 5 *Allentown Morning Call*.

"'Generally, most detectives aren't impressed,' said **Scott Thornsley**, an associate professor of criminal justice at Mansfield University who teaches a course on serial murders. 'They are not sought out because they are not scientific and don't represent a practitioner's viewpoint.'" —*Associated Press* story titled "Police Say Psychics Sometimes Helpful," June 14, 2005.

"In my opinion, Pennsylvania students are very aware through their parents, other adults and media reports that the job market statewide is still a bit sluggish," said **Julia Overton-Healy**, director of the Career Development Center at Mansfield University of Pennsylvania. "I believe it is simply a strategy so they can position themselves for a 'better' job when it comes along." —*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* article May 31, 2005 titled "More Grads Booking A Path To College."



Advancing Mansfield University

In my first year of service to Mansfield, I have had the pleasure of meeting wonderful Mansfield alumni and friends. Mansfield has a tremendous history and your genuine interest in our continuing success is impressive. Alumni Relations is an integral part of University Advancement which also includes grants development, public relations and fund raising.

It is a pleasure to communicate with Mansfield University's 20,000+ alumni until Alumni Relations Director Denise Berg returns to write her usual column. Mansfield University alumni share a tremendous rapport with each other and with your alma mater. Your participation in campus events is most welcome, as is your generous donation of time and talent in helping us to meet our mission. Thank you for all of these things, for they bring a welcome personal touch to all that we do.

Please plan to join us for future campus events to meet your long-time friends, experience campus improvements, attend events, reconnect with your professors, and experience college life in our technological age. Our most popular campus alumni events are Alumni Weekend (June 8 – 11, 2006) and Homecoming (September 23, 2006) but you are cordially invited to visit at any time.

Mansfield alumni reside throughout the United States and overseas, and we plan to bring campus to you wherever interest and resources permit. More than 50 alumni attended a first-time event in South Carolina; future alumni get-togethers are being considered in New York City, Arizona, and throughout Pennsylvania to support our outstanding faculty, coaches and students where they perform in musical events and athletic competitions. We will continue our traditional Florida series of events if your interest remains strong.

History will take center stage while we create plans to celebrate a tremendous Mansfield milestone: the Sesquicentennial, our 150th birthday. We will keep you posted soon through our web site: mansfield.edu.

Honoring our history, celebrating the present, and preparing for the future – this is our job in University Advancement. Thank you for helping us to serve your alma mater; we welcome your ideas and your continuing support.

Maureen C. McKenna

Maureen C. McKenna
Vice President for University Advancement
On behalf of the hard-working members of the University Advancement and the Mansfield University Foundation team.



Foundation President Ron '72 and Betty Goodwin thank Ward Manufacturing's CEO Pete Guidi and his wife Joan, and Citizens and Northern Bank's CEO Craig '76 and Trust Investment officer Rhonda '81. Litchfield, Ward Manufacturing and Citizens and Northern Bank are major contributors to Our Special Mission: Our Future, Mansfield University's first-ever major gift campaign.

Foundation Supporters Thanked at Dinner

The Mansfield University Foundation major donor dinner, held annually in appreciation of individuals and corporations for their support of the Mansfield University Foundation, took place on October 22.

"You represent the best of Mansfield who greatly enhance the health and well-being of MU and its students," Foundation Board President Ron Goodwin said in thanking the gathering. "We are all proud of Mansfield University and you have shown in the most meaningful way that you want to see the university thrive and continue its reputation for excellence."

For more information on how to support the Mansfield University Foundation contact: Maureen C. McKenna, Executive Director, Mansfield University Foundation, 524 North Hall, Mansfield University, Mansfield, PA 16933. PH: (570) 662-4827 or 662-4292. Email: mmckenna@mansfield.edu



As this issue of The Mansfieldian went to print, Alumni Director **Denise Berg** was on leave. Her column, which normally appears in this space, will return in the next issue.

Sunshine State Swing

Plans are underway for the 2006 Florida alumni & friends events. Mark your calendar and plan to join Alumni Director Denise Berg, Interim President David Werner, his wife Kay and Vice President for University Advancement Maureen McKenna as they bring MU news to the Sunshine State.

Schedule of Events:

- **Saturday, March 11, Sarasota** – Jay Riley '94 will welcome everyone to Fred's (1917 S. Osprey Avenue) for a wine tasting and luncheon.
- **Sunday, March 12, Orlando**–The Celebration Hotel will be the site for an MU brunch.
- **Monday, March 13, Fort Myers** –Tony '73 and Tish Fiamino '72, Bill '62 and Jean Strohecker will host a fun golf outing at Pelican Preserve.
- **Tuesday, March 14, Fort Myers** – The Alumni Association will host a picnic at 3 p.m. and then everyone can cheer for the Mountaineer baseball team in their game scheduled for 4 p.m.
- **Wednesday, March 15, Naples** – Lunch will be served at the Bayside Seafood & Bar beginning at 11:45 a.m.

Additional information about these events will be sent to alumni and friends living in or near these locations and will also be available on the alumni section of the MU website. Contact the alumni office for more information and/or to request that the mailing be sent to you.

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Sheridan named Director of Annual Fund

Dixie Sheridan '98 has been named director of the Annual Fund with the Mansfield University Foundation.

Sheridan, whose degree is in Speech Communication, will oversee the annual campus campaign and phonathons. She will also be involved with all other aspects of fundraising and assist with Homecoming, Alumni Weekend and other major campus events.

In addition to her duties with the Foundation, Sheridan is chair of the ACT 101 Advisory Committee at MU.



Homecoming 2005

Wet weather couldn't dampen the enthusiasm and spirit of alumni, family and friends as MU celebrated Homecoming 2005 on October 7-9. The theme for this year's celebration was "The Renaissance Returns!"

Persistent rain disrupted Friday's golf tournament and forced the cancellation of Saturday's Homecoming parade.

Nanci Staley was named Homecoming Queen and Adam Keir was named Homecoming King. The royal couple was crowned during halftime ceremonies of the Mountaineers game win over Cheyney.

Staley, the daughter of Maria Staley, is from Wayland, NY. The senior represented the Music Department in the campus wide voting. Staley was escorted by Dave Wert.

Keir, the son of Fred and Elizabeth Keir, is from Mansfield, PA by way of Phoenix, AZ. The senior represented the Black Student Union. Keir was escorted by Katrina Brumfield.



Peggy Dettwiler, director of Choral Activities, conducts the Alumni Choir in a rehearsal before their Homecoming weekend concert.

Homecoming 2005 Court: (L-R) Homecoming Queen Nanci Staley, her escort Dave Wert; Homecoming King Adam Weir, his escort Katrina Brumfield.



The alumni tent party, held before the game continues to grow in popularity. The gathering was treated to a performance by "The Spirit & Pride of Pennsylvania" MU Marching Band, which played despite the rainy conditions.

Friday night the MU Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame welcomed five new members during inductions ceremonies at Manser Hall. The Class of 2005 is featured on page 8 and includes longtime wrestling coach Hank Shaw, Louis Judson '98, Robert Vagonis '81, John "Jack" Schamel '62 and Alfred Sayre '21 in the Legends category.

The MU Music Department presented three concerts over the weekend. On Friday, The Mansfieldians and MU Jazz Ensemble performed. Saturday the annual Prism Concert was held. Sunday, the Gala Reunion Concert was presented, featuring the MU Concert Choir and the Alumni Choir.

Mark your calendars for Homecoming 2006 on September 22-24.



Despite the rain "The Spirit & Pride of Pennsylvania" MU Marching Band delighted the crowd at the alumni tent party with a performance before the Homecoming game.



FROM THE DESK OF ALEX OGEKA

Director of Development for Athletics

It has been a very exciting fall for Mansfield Athletics both on and off the playing field.

Here are some of those highlights:

- Keith Slezak (Windber/Windber) Named to ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District II First Team Honors.
- Slezak (Windber/Windber) was named the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division Defensive Player of the Week for his play against Clarion on September 17.
- Jamar Foulks (Pittsburgh/Westinghouse), Poohbear McNeal (Orlando, FL/Lake Highland Prep), Keith Slezak (Windber/Windber), Andre' Turner (Pittsburgh/Peabody) and Ronnie Montgomery (Syracuse, NY/Corcoran) named to the 2005 PSAC East second team.
- Freshman quarterback John Hengehold (Lake Mary, FL/Lake Highland Prep) was named the PSAC Eastern Division Offensive Player of the Week for his record setting performance in the Mountaineers 38-17 Homecoming win over Cheyney on October 8.
- Chris Cummings (Mansfield/Mansfield) was named PSAC Male Cross Country Runner of the Week twice during the season.
- Charity Learn (Troy/home school) and Rachel Hall (Blue Ridge/New Milford) were named PSAC Women's Cross Country Runners of the Week once each during the season.
- The Women's Cross Country team finishes a record setting fifth at the NCAA East Regional Championships.

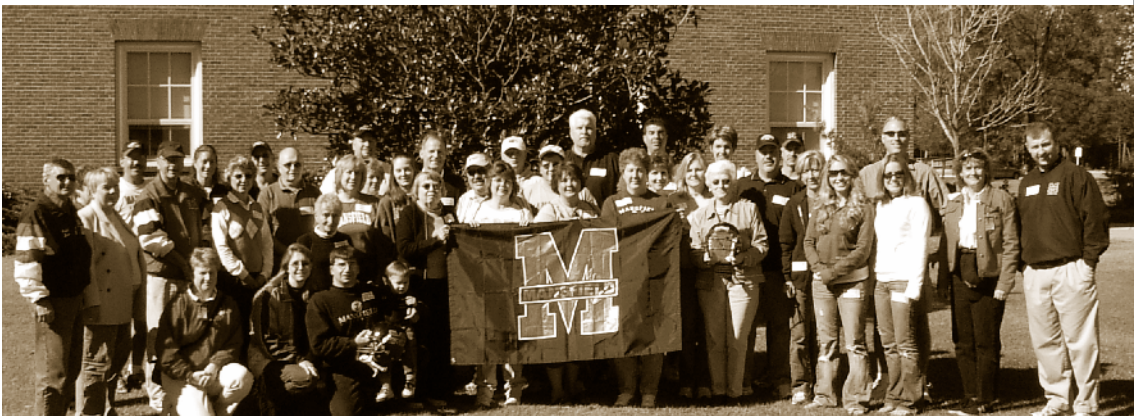
- Keely Jarrett (Pennsburg/Upper Perkiomen) has been named the PSAC Player of the Week on October 17 and was selected to the Second Team All-PSAC for Field Hockey.
- Desiree Boris (Wilkes-Barre/Coughlin), Colleen Corcoran (Allentown/Central Catholic) and Lyndi Keiser (Mechanicsburg/Mechanicsburg) were named to the 2005 PSAC East Second Team for women's soccer.
- Senior goalkeeper Julie Miller (Watkins Glen, NY/Watkins Glen) was named PSAC East Women's Soccer Player of the Week on September 8. She is the first player in the program's history to receive this honor.

I wanted to also thank everyone who attended the tailgate party in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on Saturday, November 12. More than sixty alumni, parents, and friends attended this event. A terrific time was had by all.

This is a very exciting time in Mansfield Athletics and I know I am looking forward to the winter sports season to begin. I hope to see you at a game.

Go Mounties!

Alex Ogeka



MU alumni, family, friends and school officials gathered for a tailgate party before the Mountaineers game at Coastal Carolina in Conway, SC on November 12.

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It's a Small World, and Getting Smaller: Mansfield Ventures into Nanotechnology

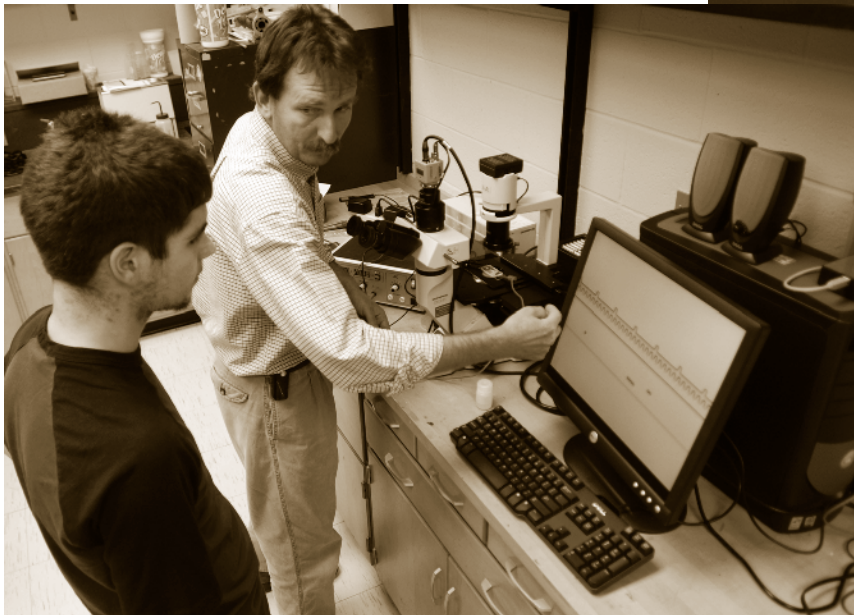
The Future is Now

"This is the future for big companies," Chua says. "They are all converting to nanotechnology."

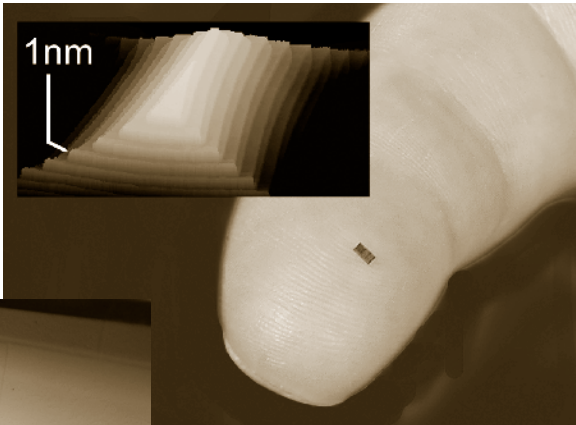
According to *Small Times*, a magazine dedicated to nanotechnology, Pennsylvania ranked seventh in the nation in the development and investment in the new technology in 2004. In the spring of 2005, the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) provided funding to PA-CAN for a \$400,000 proposal to pilot test two nanotechnology modules, one in microfluidics and another dealing with nanoparticle synthesis.

As part of this effort, Mansfield University received about \$30,000 worth of equipment, including a microscope equipped with video camera for real time tracking of polystyrene beads flowing through a microfluidic channel and a computer driven UV/VIS spectrometer to investigate how different electrolytes interact with citrate coated gold.

"In the spring I will be pilot testing four new nanotechnology modules: self-assembly, stamping lithography, DNA self-assembly, and Brownian motion," Chester says. "The \$200,000 to PA-CAN for funding this project will also be provided by the DCED. Mansfield will receive about \$12,000 worth of equipment and supplies to test and implement these four experiments."



Mike Chester and Kyle Donahoe, a sophomore physics major from Union Center, NY, watch the flow of 10-micron polystyrene beads through a 100-micron wide channel in a high powered microscope. Imaging software capable of acquiring and storing real time images is used to track the beads and determine their speeds. Those images are displayed on the monitor.



A Nanometer Step Height Standard Chip shown on the tip of a finger. Within the chip are hundreds of SiC pyramids, shown on inset magnified 100 times for clarity, with 1 nm height steps ideal for Atomic Force Microscope calibration. Photo Courtesy of NASA Glenn Research Center

Developing collaborative relationships with businesses to do development and research is one of Chester's goals. Getting students – all science students and others who are interested – educated in nanotechnology is another.

"I want to be able to introduce nanotechnology into the classroom at all levels," he says. "Not just the upper division science level

but in the physical science courses I teach as well. I also want to share these modules and ideas with my colleagues in biology and chemistry."

Chester believes the more this new small science grows, the bigger the opportunities for MU and its students.

"It seems like the stuff of science fiction but it's reality and we need to be involved in it."

MU Launches Podcast

Want to know what college life is really like? Listen to four freshmen talk about their experiences.

Want to know how to find exactly the right college? Brian Barden shares his tips.

Where?

In the new Mansfield University Podcast, launched in October by the Public Relations Department. "This is a really exciting application of the new technology," said Dennis Miller '71, director of public relations.

The podcast, he explained, is a series of interviews with MU students that will give high school students and parents insights into a student's first semester experience at college and more.

"This is the real stuff," Miller said. "Going to college is a huge transition," he said. "What's it feel like standing on the sidewalk as your parents drive away? How do you go about organizing yourself for classes? How do you make friends?"

Miller chose students from the areas of nursing, forensics, music and criminal justice and has dialogues with each of them once a week. He also speaks with seniors about their experiences and preparing to graduate.

Miller, who's been following podcasting nearly since its inception more than a year ago, said he wanted to create a show that will be helpful to

students and parents in finding the right college.

"It's a big move for a student and a big investment for parents. Hopefully, this show will help them."

He said no other college in the country offers a show like this. "It's kind of 'reality radio' on the Web," he explained. "Freshmen are sharing their experiences in and out of the classroom, so there's a real sense of immediacy."

Miller said the fledgling show is getting about 800 hits a day.

Podcasting, a communication form that's still in its infancy, is basically

a radio show on a Web site that can be downloaded to a computer or iPod and played at the listener's convenience.

Miller added that the show is also a marketing tool for the university. "But that's secondary," he said. "If a student or parent is intrigued by what they hear and want to check us out, so much the better. But the emphasis is on sharing experiences."

He said the show will be branching out in the future. "We have shows where I followed fisheries students on a field trip to shock brook trout," he said. "We'll also get tips from Chris Vaughn, our director of financial planning."

"I really encourage alumni to visit the podcast site, listen to some shows, and spread the word to friends and relatives who have children in high school."

To listen to the show, go to mansfield.edu, then to "prospective students" and hit the podcast button.



PR Director Dennis Miller interviews Eden Hartwell, a freshman chemistry-forensics major from Mount Upton, NY, for an upcoming podcast.



Bob Maris

There's Something About Dr. Bob

Something seems a little fishy at Mansfield University.

A renowned biology professor who likes nothing more than to kickback with a good old fashion study on the crustacean larval/post larval distribution in marine ecosystems in the Gulf of Mexico and Chesapeake Bay when not teaching, has been spotted – gasp! – talking with athletes at sporting events. Stranger yet – he seems to actually enjoy it!

At first sight Bob Maris does not impress you as the athletic type. Small and bespectacled, he does not look like one of the most ardent athletic support staffers at Mansfield University.

To more than 300 Mountaineer student-athletes, “Dr. Bob” has been a blessing for the past 15 years. He first was the cheerleader advisor and since 1998 has served as the faculty athletic representative (FAR), working hard on their behalf to maintain a balance in their academic and athletic lives.

When he sees a need, he always tries to help, regardless of the amount of time and effort it may require. No matter what is going on in his life, he always finds time for his students, even in the midst of his own personal crises.

Case in point: the Mansfield University Cheerleader team. A careful study of his rather lengthy resume, which includes degrees at Texas A&M, University of Southern Mississippi and Old Dominion University, reveals no experiences as a coach or a cheerleader (unless you count yelling yes, yes, yes, while peering through a microscope observing decapodal crustacean larvae reproduction).

But in 1990, the MU cheerleader team was struggling. Students were desperately looking for someone who would take over as their advisor. Maris was asked by then Vice President of Student Affairs Joe Maresco if he could help them for a year. Fifteen years later, you’ll still find Maris along with his co-coach and wife Yvonne sitting with the cheerleaders at every home event filming their performance and offering advice and encouragement.

“We all just love Dr. Bob,” said first year Mountaineer cheerleader Megan Morgan of Scranton. “He just cares so much about all of us and is the most supportive person you could ask for. I’m really lucky because he’s also my academic advisor and I know I couldn’t be in better hands.”

Nothing Stops Him

While Dr. Bob may not be able to match most Mountaineer athletes in physical stature and strength, there are few players on any team roster as tough as their FAR.

Two years ago Maris had his mettle tested when he was diagnosed with bladder cancer. Daily trips to the Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre for radiation and chemotherapy were sandwiched between stays at John Hopkins in Baltimore.

Through it all, Dr. Bob kept his schedule as normal as possible, missing few home athletic events with the cheerleaders or academic counseling sessions with students. In short, he played through the pain.

“I really just enjoy being around our students,” explained Maris who was forced to the sidelines late in the fall semester to have his bladder removed. “I never would have imagined that I would become so involved with athletics, but it really has been one of the best experiences of my life. I learned we have some great student-athletes here, who are even better people, and if I

hadn’t gotten involved with them I would have missed what has proven to be a rewarding part of my professional and personal life.”

Despite being sidelined, he still plans to be involved with his student-athletes.

“I plan on staying in touch with everyone through email, Blackboard and by phone,” said Maris. “Our student-athletes still attend classes when they are injured and I wouldn’t be a very good role model if I gave less of an effort than they do. Besides, I really love being around them. I think being in touch with them will speed my recovery.”

He will have plenty of opportunities to work with his students – off the court anyway. Maris explained that all of the biology majors are required to complete a research project and they work closely with their professors to develop them.

“On these projects, we talk to students, then let them take the lead,” said Maris, who has worked with students on their projects for the past decade.

Students have completed research projects on a wide variety of topics. One project looked at using naturally occurring bacteria to clean up gasoline spills. Another examined the local incidences of Lyme Disease and the chance of getting the disease in the area woods. Yet another project examined pet therapy and found that pets can reduce the owner’s blood pressure.



Maris goes “back to the future” on the Biology Club float during the 2002 Homecoming parade.



Bob Maris poses with two members of the Buffalo Bills cheerleading squad at a fund raising event for the Josh Palmer Fund held in September.

Maris knows a little about research projects, particularly in the field of marine biology. He developed an interest in the field as an undergraduate student at Texas A&M. When he was ready to start his doctoral work, he worked with Tony Provenzano, the world’s leading authority on crab development.

Award Winning Students

Each year, selected students have the opportunity to go with their biology professors to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania University Biologists (CPUB) conference. CPUB membership includes biology professors from all 14 state system universities. Typically, Maris takes six students to the conference.

“Our students win awards about a quarter to a third of the time,” Maris pointed out.

So good are the MU student projects, most attendees assume that members of the Mansfield contingent are graduate students.

Maris’ course schedule includes zoology every fall; marine biology, invertebrate zoology and parasitology (the study of parasites) on two year cycles; and human biology designed for social work majors.

He is also the advisor for the biology club Sigma Zeta, the honor society for science and math students and Leo Club, a junior version of the Lions Club that started on campus five years ago.

“All of this interacting with students keeps me going,” Maris said.

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SPRING 2006
SPORTS
SCHEDULE

Baseball

February		
24	@ Shepherd	noon
25	@ Shepherd	noon
March		
4	@ WV Wesleyan	noon
5	@ WV Wesleyan	noon
8-20	Spring Trip to Ft. Myers, FL	
18	St. Anselm	noon
19	St. Anselm*	noon
25	@ California	1 p.m.
26	California	noon
28	@ Slippery Rock	1 p.m.
31	@ Millersville	1 p.m.
April		
1	Millersville	1 p.m.
4	@ Lock Haven	1 p.m.
7	Bloomsburg	1 p.m.
8	@ Bloomsburg	1 p.m.
9	Slippery Rock	1 p.m.
13	Cortland*	3 p.m.
14	East Stroudsburg	1 p.m.
15	@ East Stroudsburg	1 p.m.
18	@ Clarion	1 p.m.
21	@ Kutztown	1 p.m.
22	Kutztown	1 p.m.
25	@ Ithaca*	3:30 p.m.
28	@ West Chester	1 p.m.
29	West Chester	1 p.m.
May		
5	PSAC Playoffs	
*Single game		

Softball

March		
3-20	@ Snowbird Tournament, Mrytle Beach, SC	
18	@ St. Augustine's, Raleigh, NC	
25	@ WV Wesleyan Tournament, Salem, WV	
April		
1	@ Millersville	1 p.m.
5	East Stroudsburg	2 p.m.
7	@ Bloomsburg	2 p.m.
8	@ Shippensburg	1 p.m.
11	@ West Chester	2:30 p.m.
14	Kutztown	2:30 p.m.
15	Millersville	1 p.m.
18	Lock Haven	2:30 p.m.
21	Bloomsburg	2:30 p.m.
22	@ East Stroudsburg	1 p.m.
25	Shippensburg	2:30 p.m.
28	West Chester	2:30 p.m.
29	@ Kutztown	1 p.m.
May		
4	PSAC Playoffs	

Track & Field

April	
1	@ Penn State
8	@ PSAC East, Lock Haven
14-20	@ Bucknell
22-23	@ College Track Championships, DeSales
22-29	@ Penn Relays
30	@ Cornell
4	PSAC Conference Championships
	@ California
May	
21	@ Baldwin Wallace



(L-R) Louis Judson '98, John "Jack" Schamel '62, Robert Vagonis '81, and longtime wrestling coach Hank Shaw at the Hall of Fame induction dinner on October 7. Alfred Sayre '21 was inducted in the Legends category.

Hall of Fame 2005

The Mansfield University Alumni/Athletic Hall of Fame welcomed Louis "Juddy" Judson '97, John "Doc" Schamel '62, Henry "Hank" Shaw, Robert Vagonis '81 and Alfred Sayre '21 as its newest members during the 23rd Annual Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies held during Homecoming weekend in October.

Judson was a four-year letter winner and three-year starter on the men's basketball team from 1994-97. His 1,527 career points are the third most in school history. He ranks in the top 10 in school history in games played, assists, steals, three-point field goals, field goals and free throws.

Judson was named Second Team All-Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) East honors in his junior season after averaging 16.2 points per game. He led the PSAC in scoring his senior season averaging 22.3 points per game. Judson was named PSAC East Player of the Year and to First Team All-PSAC East, as well as All-ECAC South and All-NABC East Regional. He was also named MVP of the 1997 PSAC Championship Tournament after helping the Mountaineers capture the PSAC title. He set, and still holds, new school records for points (670) and points per game (22.3), while ranking ninth in the nation in three-point field goal percentage and 16th in scoring.

"Doc" Schamel was a key support figure with the men's basketball teams during one of the most successful eras in school history. Schamel served many roles with the program, including trainer and manager, but is perhaps best remembered by most as "The Mountie" who, dressed as a Mountaineer, whipped the student body and Mountaineer fans into a frenzy before, during and after home games at the "Old" Gym. That enthusiasm helped build a mystique at home games that led to every game being sold out with lines forming around the building well before game time. The electrifying atmosphere helped Mansfield win a PSAC record 54 straight home games. Schamel also served as trainer for football and baseball during his undergraduate days at Mansfield and was an active member of the "M" Club.

Shaw served as the Mountaineers wrestling coach for 30 years before retiring in 1999 as one of the most respected coaches in school history. Beginning with the 1965-66 season, Shaw was the wrestling program at Mansfield with the exception of three years in the 1970s when he served as director of athletics. He coached a total of nine wrestlers who achieved All-American honors, but was an even stronger proponent of academics and character. Five of his wrestlers earned Academic All-American honors in his last eight seasons as coach. Shaw's best year was in 1976 when his grapplers placed 12th in the nation in NCAA Division III. He coached every record holder in school history with seven of his wrestlers becoming PSAC finalists. In addition to serving as a professor in health and physical education, Shaw was also an assistant football coach for eight seasons and assisted with the women's swimming program.

A four-year starter on the football team from 1977-80, **Vagonis** was the first of just five players in school history to earn All-PSAC East honors in each of his four seasons. A defensive back, he still holds the MU record for career interceptions (20). As a freshman in 1977, Vagonis led the team in interceptions with four, returning one for a touchdown. In 1978, Vagonis recorded a team high five interceptions and finished fourth on the team in tackles with 65. As a junior, Vagonis led the PSAC in interceptions with six and was third on the team in tackles with 55. He added five more interceptions in 1980 along with 40 tackles. He ranked among the PSAC interception leaders in each of his four seasons and still holds the school career record in interception return yardage (226).

Sayre was one of the best all-around athletes during four of the most successful years in Mansfield's early sports history. Sayre was a starter for the football, basketball and baseball teams over the course of his career and was a member of the school-record track team that won the Penn Relays in 1919. He served as the team captain for the basketball and football teams that included Mike "Gazook" Gazella, Joe Shaute, and Joe Bedenk, all members of the MU Hall of Fame.

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MANSFIELD CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January

- 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- 17 Spring Semester Begins, 8 a.m.
- 17-2/17 **Solar Plates by Deborah Riley**
University Gallery
- 19 **Council of Trustees Meeting**
North Hall Community Room, 11 a.m.
- Reception & Gallery Talk**, University
Gallery, 7 p.m.
- 22 **Meet the Performer Series**,
Steadman Theatre, 6:30 p.m.
- 25 **Literary Legacy of the Civil Rights
Movement,”** Lynn Pifer. Faculty Lecture
Series. Alumni Hall, Room 317, 4 p.m.

February

- 8 **The Mass Media as Whistleblower**, Bia
Bernum & James Lohrey. Faculty Lecture
Series. Alumni Hall, Room 317, 4 p.m.
- 11 **Jazz Ensemble**, Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 19 **Symphony Orchestra**
Steadman Theatre, 3 p.m.
- 17-3/24 **Times of Sorrow & Hope, Lancaster**
Historical Society, University Gallery
- 22 **Born Into Brothers**. Faculty Lecture Series.
Allen Hall, 7 p.m.
- 23 **Reception & Gallery Talk**, University
Gallery, 7 p.m.
- 25 **Concert Wind Ensemble**, Steadman
Theatre , 7 p.m.

March

- 1 **Linda Hogan**, Native American Poet &
Activist. Faculty Lecture Series.
Allen Hall, 7 p.m.
- 9-17 Spring Holiday-No Classes
- 11 **Meet the Performer Series**, Steadman
Theatre, 6:30 p.m.
- 23 **Council of Trustees Meeting**, North Hall
Community Room,, 7:30 p.m.
- 24 **B Vch Zä Vch** Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 27-5/5 **Faculty Art Show**, University Gallery
- 30 **Reception & Gallery Talk**, University
Gallery, 7 p.m.

April

- 5 **Mother Jones**, Shawndra Holderby. Faculty
Lecture Series., Alumni Hall, Room 317, 4 p.m.
- 8 **Festival Chorus**, Mozart Mass in C Minor
Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 9 **Festival Chorus Concert**, Mozart Mass in
C Minor Corning Glass Museum, 3 p.m.
- 19 **æ] c B Vch Zä Vch** Faculty Lecture Series. TBA
- 21 **Jazz Ensemble**, Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 22 **Symphonic Band**, Steadman Theatre,
2 p.m. **Concert Choir**, Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 26 **Concert Wind Ensemble**,
Steadman Theatre, 3 p.m.
- 27-28 **Jazz Festival**, Steadman Theatre
- 27 **I] Z B Vch Zä Vch**
Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 28 **Jazz Ensemble**, Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 30 **Symphony Orchestra**,
Steadman Theatre, 3 p.m.

June

- 8-11 **Alumni Weekend**

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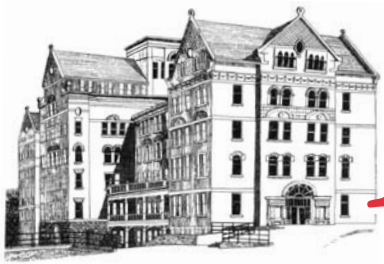
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Back Home Again

Former President Honored, Reflects on Career

Dean of Students, Head Football Coach, Associate Professor, Dean of Development and External Relations, President. Those are some of the positions that Rod Kelchner held at Mansfield during his 34 years at the university. And it was that variety of duties that enabled him to stay at Mansfield and call it home.

"I only looked at two jobs in 34 years," Kelchner said in reflecting on his career. "In higher education people think you're supposed to move, and I did too, but the one thing that kept me at Mansfield was that every time I got a little stale in one position, Mansfield gave me the chance to do something else. I moved from teaching to coaching to administrative work to development and finally to becoming president. I didn't have to go somewhere else to change. That's why I was so happy."

"Doctor" Kelchner

Kelchner retired in 1998 and has returned to campus several times a year to visit with friends and attend games. He tried to keep a low profile whenever he was back but that wasn't possible at December Commencement.

The Council of Trustees, with the backing of the University Senate, voted to award Kelchner an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters and asked him to be the guest speaker.

"My first reaction was surprise and then I was deeply honored," he said. "I immediately jumped online to research honorary degrees, to see what it means. That was very humbling."

The rationale for the honor read, "In accordance with Board of Governors' Policy 1984-12-A, the honorary degree may be awarded to recognize distinguished service, creativity, scholarship, or other individual accomplishment in the service of humanity, whether in scientific, social, academic, creative, business, public, or other appropriate sphere."

"What made it more of an honor is that we (Mansfield) are very judicious in handing out these honors," Kelchner added. "When you think about that, it makes it even more special."

Always the teacher and coach, Kelchner used his address to educate the graduates and guests about the history of Mansfield and to challenge them. "My motive for sharing these stories about your alma mater is this," he said. "Many people have dedicated themselves to this school. They worked hard

and made untold sacrifices. The result is that you have had an opportunity to gain a higher education."

"I am going to be bold and say you owe them," he added. "I know you've worked hard and you made sacrifices, but if it were not for those who came before you and who loved this school, the opportunity to earn a degree from Mansfield would not have been available to you. When you speak of Mansfield, speak kindly and with respect. When you tell others of Mansfield, do it with pride. And when you are asked to give to Mansfield, be generous."

The Future

While challenging the newest alumni to support their school, Kelchner acknowledged afterwards that he worries about the future for MU. "I'm happy with the state Mansfield is in and the direction the school seems to be heading, but at the same time I'm concerned about Mansfield and the state of public higher education in Pennsylvania. My concerns are about accessibility and affordability."

Always the champion of the students, all students, he worries about the Rod Kelchners of the future. "Schools are becoming more selective and the average student, who may not score as high or rank as high, may be left out. They are the kids who public schools were founded for. Thank God for the Bloomsburgs of the world. They took me."

"And the cost? It's a lot of change for most folks. Before my Friday evening talk during Commencement weekend, I did research and found the number of students who use credit cards to pay for their education, and end up paying 18 and 20% interest, was staggering."

Not pretending to know all the answers, Kelchner admits that, in hindsight, he might have been even more productive

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Lew Lee, chair of the MU Council of Trustees, presents the academic hood symbolic of the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters to Rod Kelchner as Interim President David Werner looks on.



FROM MY VIEW

In our seven months at Mansfield, my wife, Kay, and I have realized more and more what a treasure this University is. Its motto of "Small University with Big Opportunities" is borne out by its programs and supported by a talented, dedicated faculty and staff.

Soon we will begin a celebration of the 150th anniversary of the University's founding and its long tradition of providing excellent education for the citizens of Pennsylvania and the region. But, as that anniversary approaches, we also face challenges—particularly budgetary challenges. You may not be aware that, compared to most other states, Pennsylvania's support of public higher education is very modest. At Mansfield, state support provides only about 40% of our budget.

Last fall, the Board of Governors for the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education recommended a 6% increase in the appropriation to the System to the Governor. That increase is essential to the well being of the System and to Mansfield University. The Board of Governors, however, can only recommend an increase in funding. The legislature and Governor must act to make it a reality.

You can help Mansfield University. I urge you write, call, or email your senator or representative* expressing your support of the Board of Governors' recommendation. I know that is a chore, but it would only take a few minutes. And, an investment of just a few minutes of your time could pay big dividends for the students served by Mansfield University. Please do what you can to make sure they have the same opportunities at Mansfield that you enjoyed.

Thank you for your continuing support of Mansfield University. Please come to visit. We would love to have you back on campus.

**to find the name of your local Commonwealth Senate and House representatives, check the web at www.state.pa.us and type in your zip code in the appropriate location.*

David Werner
Interim President

Presidential Search

The search for Mansfield University's new president is reaching its final stages.

After on-campus visits and interviews in February and March, the search committee recommended, and the Council of Trustees approved, the forwarding of three finalists to the Chancellor and the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Board of Governors

The review process of these candidates is expected to take approximately six weeks with a decision on the president anticipated sometime in April. For the latest information, check online at mansfield.edu

"I would like to express my personal appreciation to everyone in the campus community for their participation and input," Ralph Meyer, chair of the presidential search committee, said. "A special thanks to the presidential search committee for their work. They have spent a tremendous number of hours – I should say days – in the entire review process. They were a delightful group to work with, and we all owe them a debt of gratitude."



(L-R) Women's Swimming Coach Danita Fox and swimmers Melissa Recchiuti (West Chester, PA), Kelsey Hogan (Waverly, NY) and Andrea Popovic (Novi Sad, Yugoslavia) all received degrees during December's Commencement. Fox earned a Master of Science in Education and the three swimmers all earned Bachelors degrees. The swimmers each graduated in three and a half years.

Fall Commencement Celebrated

Three hundred thirty-six students received degrees at Mansfield University's 141th Commencement on Saturday, December 17 in Decker Gymnasium.

Before presenting the graduates with their diplomas, Interim President David Werner told them that with their degrees come rights and responsibilities.

"As an educated person you have a responsibility to be part of the solution to solving today's problems," Werner said. "You need to put your education to work for the good of yourselves and, more importantly, for the good of others."

Werner helped the graduates thank their families, friends, faculty and anyone else who helped them in the pursuit of their degree with a round of applause. He also told them they will always be part of the Mansfield family. "No matter where your careers take you, you are a part of Mansfield and Mansfield is a part of you," he said.

Former MU President Rod Kelchner was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters and was the featured speaker (see cover story).

He spoke to the graduates about Mansfield's history, touching on highlights ranging from the founding of the school to his 34 years at MU, the last 14 as president until his retirement in 1998.

To listen to Kelchner's address check online at <http://podcast.mansfield.edu/>.

Mansfield University's Upcoming Anniversary



Both Mansfield University and the Borough of Mansfield will soon celebrate their 150th anniversaries as a combined Sesquicentennial. In December 2005 a group of talented and committed volunteers from both MU and the Borough of Mansfield brain-stormed how best to honor our shared history. Their efforts produced lists of ideas plus a calendar of events to kick-off a year of activities throughout calendar year 2007. Community and state leaders, residents, students of all ages, parents, faculty, staff, alumni and visitors are expected to participate in more than 25 events.

An initial brainstorming session produced pages of ideas to involve community and University groups, beautify the streets, produce a unified presence between the community and University, and theme all activities throughout the year using our new logo. An official proclamation will be made November 28, 2006 with full fanfare.

There are committees working on various aspects of the celebrations including events, use of logo, public relations, a speaker's bureau, and a seven-member historical research committee coordinated by an executive committee, with input from 17 community and University volunteers that comprise the general committee. In the near future, look for a web site for anyone interested in learning of our progress. The historical committee members have collaborated to design a slide show to expand the process of seeking additional volunteer assistance and ideas.

If you would like to know more about how your group may participate, please call any member of the Executive Committee or (570) 662-4827. This is an exciting time for MU and the Borough. Special thanks to all the committee members, with special appreciation to the Executive Committee members: Marianne Bozzo, Joseph Maresco, Maureen McKenna, Dennis Miller, Kay Werner, and Tom Wierbowski.

New Summer School Program Offered

Free Housing & Meal Plan among the features

Mansfield University will offer more classes, activities, and to students that qualify, free housing and a meal plan this summer.

"There are a few other schools in the country, but none in our region, that offer this kind of program," Provost Michael Renner said in making the announcement. "We're proud to have this innovative program at Mansfield."

MU will offer summer classes in three sessions: May 22-June 8, June 12-June 29 and July 5-August 4. Students who qualify for full-time status may be eligible to receive free on-campus housing and a meal plan.

In addition, an enhanced schedule of recreational and cultural activities, on and off campus, is being planned for summer school students.

"Faculty and staff from the entire Mansfield community deserve congratulations for their work together to make this new program possible," Renner said. "We have an extensive program of high-quality academic course offerings, numerous student activity programs, and the resources of the Twin Tiers to draw upon to offer a rich experience to students who spend the summer at Mansfield."

Renner added that the new innovations at Mansfield are meant to accommodate students of every kind. "This is an opportunity for new high school graduates to get a head start on college, or for continuing students from Mansfield or elsewhere to catch up or get ahead in their academic programs," he said. "Some students like the opportunity to focus on fewer courses at one time, and summer is an ideal time to do that. We have a wonderful campus, and this region is spectacular in the summer. Recreational opportunities are at our fingertips and it's a perfect way for a student to advance their education in a terrific setting. Attending summer school is a great way for students help make sure they can graduate on time."

Courses at the undergraduate and graduate levels will be offered, as well as classes that qualify for ACT 48 credit.

For more information or to register for summer classes at Mansfield, check online at summer.mansfield.edu or call (800) 577-6826 or 570-662-4243. The MU summer school website will be updated daily with course offerings and new information.

Mansfield University in the National News

MU faculty and administrators are frequently in the national news, often contributing to the public dialogue on important issues. MU's programs and practices make news also. Here are examples:

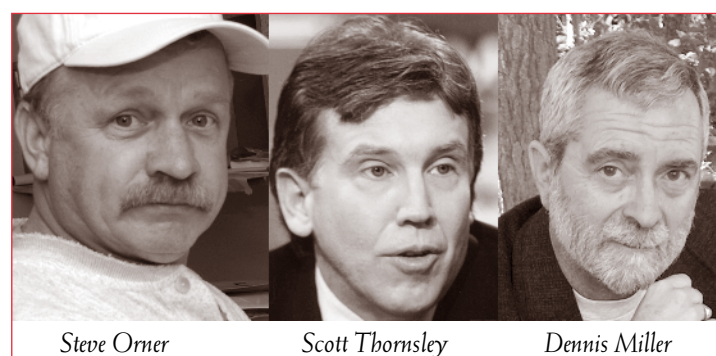
"Administrators at Mansfield University in northern Pennsylvania want to use podcasts—broadcast messages that can be downloaded to iPods and other players—to recruit high schoolers to the 3,000-student campus. The school also uses a podcast to address student and faculty concerns after a New York man who had contracted anthrax visited campus with a dance troupe." —*The Associated Press*, March 19, 2006.

"To acknowledge the need for such financial and legal remedies for those wrongfully convicted is not the politically correct thing to do, it is the morally right thing to do." —**Scott Thornsley**, associate professor of criminal justice, in an op/ed he wrote for *The Harrisburg Patriot-News*, Feb. 20, 2006 titled "Wrongfully Convicted Deserve Financial, Legal Support from State."

"Mansfield University in Pennsylvania is working with the (Facebook) idea too. Mansfield will invite students to add the university to their list of 'friends,' said **Dennis Miller**, the university's public relations director. Mansfield will also create a Facebook page on which the university can make short bulleted announcements..." —*Student Affairs Leader*, Feb. 15, 2006.

"Mansfield University, a 3,000-student public institution in Pennsylvania, began offering weekly podcasts in mid-October for college-bound high-school students and their parents." —*National On-Campus Report*, Feb. 1, 2006.

"In submitting the report to Sen. Greenleaf, W. Scott Thornsley, Ph.D., chairman of the advisory group and an associate professor of criminal justice at Mansfield University observed, 'The Department (of Corrections) is also acutely aware of the problems caused by the growing life-sentence inmate population and is no longer embracing the 'life means life' philosophy imposed on them previously.'" —*The Philadelphia Inquirer*, January 20, 2006.



Steve Orner

Scott Thornsley

Dennis Miller

"At Mansfield University in Mansfield, Penn., the **biology department** offers an undergraduate fisheries major through which students can be certified as associate fisheries scientists." —*The Next Step Magazine*, November/December 2005.

"Mansfield University, a 3,000 student public institution in Pennsylvania, began offering weekly podcasts in mid-October. **Dennis Miller**, Mansfield's director of public relations, says that, to his knowledge, no other U.S. campus is offering a similar podcast series." —*Recruitment and Retention in Higher Education*, December 2005.

"Administrators at Mansfield University of Pennsylvania rely on **Stephen Orner** to trim the hedges, mow the grass and...uncover little known facts about the campus. The university's groundskeeper also serves as volunteer historian of Mansfield's history." —*The Chronicle of Higher Education*, Nov. 18, 2005.

"The bill has been approved by the House Tourism and Recreational Development Committee. It won't be considered by the full House until Mansfield University of Pennsylvania completes a statewide opinion poll of residents on the issue early in 2006." —*The Erie Times-News*, Oct. 10, 2005, in an article about pending legislation to forbid Pennsylvania schools from opening before Labor Day.

MU Podcast Expands

What started out to be a very focused podcast show at Mansfield University has expanded into a multi-faceted series.

"We started podcasting in September of 2005," said Dennis Miller, MU director of public relations. "We started with a kind of reality-based series in which I talked to freshmen about their experiences from their first day here straight through. Our goal was to help high school students be better prepared for college."

Response was so good, Miller said, that he began adding new types of shows. With feedback from alumni and the general public, Miller created a series of interviews with interesting people around campus.

To listen to and download shows, check online at <http://podcast.mansfield.edu/>.

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Study at home, study abroad...

The terms "study" and "research" are synonymous with the concept of higher education. Indeed most college professors will dedicate their lives to continual research.

Mansfield University sociology professor Timothy J. Madigan has done that and even extends research opportunities to undergraduates. Some of the social research conducted by MU undergraduates who have worked with him rivals the work done by graduate students at larger universities.

"The position at Mansfield University offered the opportunity to teach applied research methods. I wanted to turn my background into an educational experience that would greatly benefit students," Madigan said. "What was especially appealing about the position at Mansfield University was the opportunity to help conduct the Public Mind survey. When I interviewed, I spoke with the founding fathers of the survey and they got me excited about joining the team."

Madigan came to Mansfield in 2001 and began work on the statewide **Public Mind Survey**, since renamed the **Mansfield University State Survey**, which was initiated by now retired professors Gale Largey and Richard Feil. State media outlets routinely publish the results, which nearly always show an accurate picture of the commonwealth's political climate. Political leaders use the results as well to help advance or argue against various policy proposals.

Data for the survey is gathered by MU students, many of whom take the telephone survey class offered each spring. Data is later compiled and released to the media. Conducting the survey and compiling the results is a great opportunity for students to learn about research first-hand. This experience is a way for students to build their resumes for both graduate school and job searches.

Madigan added that he would like to find some money to fund a graduate assistant to help with the survey and possibly expand its current scope.

How accurate are the findings?

"The survey results have always been right in terms of predicting the outcome of the major horse races," Madigan said. "For example, we said that the governor in 2002 would be the democrat candidate (Rendell). Last year we said that the presidential race was a statistical dead heat in Pennsylvania. As it turns out, Kerry defeated Bush by about two percent and that is what our results were showing."

The survey has also accurately gauged the feelings of Pennsylvanians on a wide variety of policy issues. For example the survey recently found that about one percent of the Commonwealth's population can be considered "problem gamblers," which is very much in line with prevalence rates nationwide. The study is particularly relevant since the state recently legalized slot machines and is now considering the regulation of that new industry.

He also pointed out that the survey can reveal possible discrepancies. For example, Gov. Rendell argues that gambling could generate an additional \$1 billion for the state coffers, possibly for use by school districts across the state. The survey shows that figure is possible to achieve, but the actual amount raised could be far less, especially if people are not willing to lose more than \$10-20, out of state gamblers do not come to play, and people do not gamble away their winnings.

"The survey also allows some room for us to conduct cutting edge research in our disciplines," Madigan said. "For example, we measured public opinion on going to war with Iraq before and after one of the largest social movements in history. The results showed that all of the anti-war protests

around the world had no impact on people's opinions about going to war. This makes an important contribution to research on social movements because I haven't been able to find any quantitative research on how demonstrations matter."

"The survey, from its founding, has been a voice for the people of Pennsylvania on policy issues that are affecting them," Madigan continued. "So the survey gathered attention from the media (Action News) and

politicians (such as Governor Ridge), especially its early topics of changing the abortion rules in Pennsylvania and how crime was the number one problem to people."

The survey also reveals a disconnection, or at least a long time lag, between the concerns of the people of Pennsylvania and the implementation of specific policies addressing those concerns. Just one example is a proposal to follow the lead of California, New Jersey and New York and ban smoking tobacco in bars and restaurants. In 2004, the survey found that 60 percent of state residents would favor such a ban. Negotiations over such a ban have gone nowhere in the state legislature in recent years.



Madigan surrounded by Chinese school children in Hubei, China.

Studies in China and the groundwork for a formal Chinese exchange program

Obviously, Pennsylvania policy decisions are not the only issues affecting state residents. The People's Republic of China is rising in terms of economic and military power and is a major focus of U.S. foreign policy Madigan said.

In fact, study after study has shown that Asian students outperform American students in every area except creativity (as students in Madigan's sociology of education course quickly learn). China manages to do this while spending a smaller percentage of its gross domestic product on education than the United States and placing elementary-aged students in classes of 60 or more.

In order to study the phenomena, Madigan and MU student Josh Owens of Scranton, PA have traveled to China to study the education system.

Madigan has been to China twice and is looking to get more students interested in taking the trip this coming summer.

"I always wanted to go overseas and I take the opportunity anytime I can," Owens said.

He also did some research of his own, studying the behaviors of people crossing busy intersections. While he has not had time to complete that research, he did say that many people seem to take risks by crossing when signals say "don't walk."

Madigan developed an interest in studying the communist country in graduate school at Penn State.

"In graduate school we were supposed to study a second language. Mostly everyone blew this off," Madigan said. "I wanted to study either Russian or Chinese with the intent to go to a communist society to see how



Josh Owens samples the local cuisine.

it operates. I met some folks from Taiwan and, as a result, started studying. Well, the Soviet Union collapsed before I even graduated, so it seemed lucky that I chose Chinese. With China being touted as the next big superpower in the world, and with all your Christmas gifts coming from China, and the first Chinese car coming to the USA, it seems even more fortunate that I am semi-fluent in Chinese."

At Mansfield, Madigan decided to pursue his interest in China by starting the exchange program and travel there with students during the summer. He conducts research and teaches at Central China Normal University (CCNU).

Interestingly, Madigan secured contacts with CCNU through a former MU student, Yang Ying "Claire" Lei. Through her mother, Jilei, Madigan established contacts in China.

"During my first summer I was expecting harsh treatment by the authorities and a cold reception by the 'brain-washed' students," he said. To my surprise, the students warmly welcomed me, the food was the best that I have ever tasted, and I was free to teach whatever I wanted to in my sociology courses. It seems I am caught up in a historical opening up of Red China. I think this is a wonderful opportunity for our students to experience and learn from."

Since his primary area of research is in the sociology of education, Madigan decided to study the Chinese education system. What he noticed was that many of the official numbers on Chinese student academic performance come from the urban areas of China. However, he had access to a rural Chinese village as well as ready access to rural public

Interestingly, with the level of competition as well as economic and ideological differences between the two societies, the Americans were well received in Wuhan and the rural villages.

"While in China I met so many students who were energized about learning English and speaking with me. Of course, many people acted indifferent towards my presence. But those who wanted to find out about the western world and speak English became instant friends and informal students, whether it would be while I was traveling up the Yangtze River, riding a bus, walking around the campus and city," Madigan said. "I felt like it



A park in Hubei, China.



A Chinese classroom.



Madigan with his colleagues at Central China Normal University.

American schools right here in the Northern Tier, so he decided to compare the two systems.

"What I found was that despite living in tough conditions – extreme poverty – the rural Chinese students were holding their own or outperforming our local students in math," Madigan explained. "However, when we looked at creativity, the results seem to be the opposite. I would like to pursue this more because it helps us understand better the strengths and weaknesses of both education systems."

Admittedly, studying "creativity" is not an exact science. Despite that, Madigan came up with a solution by asking the Chinese children to draw a space alien. A few students submitted very creative drawings, but many others did not. In fact a handful of the pictures almost looked the exact same. Math tests, on the other hand, showed the opposite results.

"Our students might end up competing against the Chinese like I found myself doing in graduate school," Madigan observed. "So we'd better be able to understand how they are able to excel."

was odd for them to see and experience an American in the middle of China (Wuhan) speaking to them in Chinese like I was able to do. I was often told that I was the first foreigner that they ever spoke to or who had ever visited their public school."

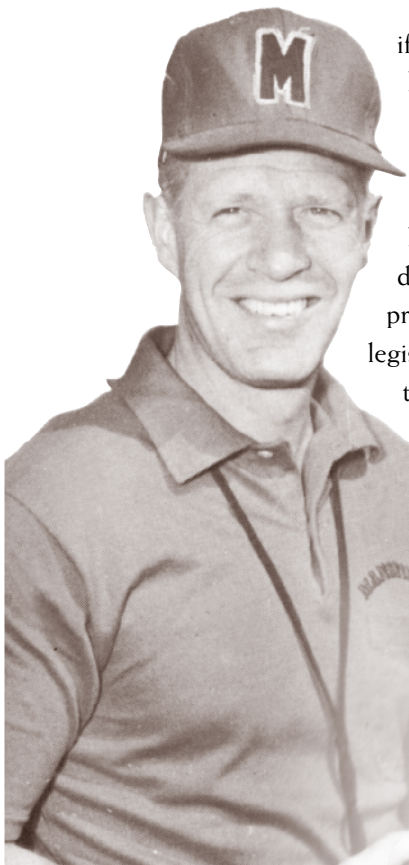
Perhaps not surprisingly, the relationship between the two countries works both ways. Madigan's sociology of education students not only heard about the Chinese system, but also saw a video of Chinese sociologists studying an American school.

Madigan grew up in Shamokin, about two hours away from Mansfield. He earned his bachelor's degree in sociology and social work at Bloomsburg. He earned his master's and doctorate in sociology with a minor in statistics from Penn State.

Prior to teaching at Mansfield, Madigan worked as a statistician at the Bureau of the Census in Washington, D.C. and as a consultant at the National Center for Education Statistics. He and his family moved back to Pennsylvania in 1998 and he worked as assistant director of institutional research at Shippensburg. He left that job to come to Mansfield in 2001.

Back Home Again

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Coach Kelchner circa 1968

if he hadn't been driving up and down Route 15 as often as he did. "I spent a lot of time in Harrisburg, lobbying, talking with elected officials.

I have come to the realization that a lot of what I did, what a lot of us did, didn't make a significant difference. We probably did some good with our local legislative officials but overall I don't know that it was effective.

"I'm not sure what the answer is," he continued. It has to be grassroots. Look at what



Dean of Students in the 1970's,

happened with the 2005 legislative salary increase.

The public outcry caused the increase to be retracted. We

need that kind of concern about higher education. Money isn't the whole problem. We need to develop a level of support, capital and non-capital, for education and the financial aid necessary to aid low and middle-income families to be able to afford it."

Family First

Family, both his own and the extended campus family, has always been a priority for Kelchner. The entire Kelchner clan made it back to Mansfield for the Commencement weekend. "It was more meaningful that the whole family was there for the ceremony. When I first told them about it they all said they'd be there. I said that wasn't necessary but they all came and that was special."

Kelchner is credited with leading the drive to save and refurbish North Hall, an effort that took most of the 34 years he was on campus. He quickly deflects such statements, saying it was a team effort. But, other than presiding over the re-dedication of Mansfield's signature building in 1996, it was a visit to that special place that highlighted Commencement weekend.

"What made the weekend extra special was taking my five grandchildren to North Hall after the ceremony. The oldest, Brennan, spent more time at Mansfield than any of the others. When he would come visit we'd go over



The entire Kelchner family returned to Mansfield for December Commencement.

to North Hall, before the reconstruction, and go through. We'd go all the way to the top. Every time he came back we'd go over and check out the progress. The building became very special.

"Morgan, our only granddaughter, would visit from Corning, sometimes once a week, and we'd always go over and take the alligator, which is what she called the elevator.

"The three youngest, Grant, Luke and Zeke, were too young to have any real history but we got to take them through the building, thanks to Maureen (McKenna-VP for University Advancement) and (Provost) Michael Renner. We took them all the way to the top, to where Sarah (the North Hall ghost) lives and told stories. It was very special."

Different Kind of Busy

Kelchner was very active in the Mansfield community and in state and national organizations during his career. His free time, what there was of it, was spent in some sort of physical activity. These days he and his wife Joan split their year between State College, PA in the summer and Marco Island, FL during the winter months. No matter where he is, Kelchner's schedule remains full.

"It's a different kind of busy," he says. "I'm not as involved in community groups, mostly because we split the year before State College and Florida. I still play golf and tennis several times a week. In Marco Island, I volunteer to read to a class of Hispanic children a few times a week."



Rod Kelchner cuts the ribbon at the dedication of North Hall on October 26, 1996.

Pride, Integrity and Hope

Kelchner occasionally reflects on his time at Mansfield. Despite some rough periods, he chooses to focus on the good times and people.

When pressed to consider his legacy, Kelchner thinks back to the when he was named president in 1984. The school had gone through some unsettling changes in administration, cuts in state aid and decreasing enrollment. There were even rumors that Mansfield would close.

"I think my biggest contribution was to restore a sense of pride, integrity and hope in the early 80s," he says. "I'm not sure I realized how close to serious trouble we were in when I became president. We hired a consultant, George Keller, who was an expert in strategic planning. He spent three days talking with faculty, students, staff, and people in town. He then came into my office and told me, 'your institution is this close to death,' as he held his index finger half and inch from his thumb. He said you have to do something and do it quickly."

Again, quick to deflect personal credit, Kelchner believes the "Mansfield spirit" and the people who believed in it as he did brought MU back.

"Somehow, with the help of a lot of good people, we came back. I'm not entirely sure how, but we pulled the right strings academically, morale got better, students regained a sense of pride. The fact that most people don't realize or remember we were in that much trouble, I think is a testament to our success."

The New South Hall



This is an artist rendering of what the new South Hall will look like when viewed from Academy Street. The new building will replace the original South Hall.

Once completed, the new South Hall will serve as a "one-stop" center for student and academic support services.

The bid opening date for the project was set for March 29. After a review and approval process by the Department of General Services, demolition of the existing South Hall will start in late May or early June.

The demolition of the existing South Hall and construction of the new South Hall will take approximately 14 months to complete. The new building is scheduled to be ready for use late in the summer of 2007.



The CAMPAIGN for Mansfield University

Our Special Mission...Our Future

Campaign Update #2 January 2006

Greetings from Campaign Chair Ralph H. Meyer.

In September 2005 the total campaign funds raised in gifts and pledges was \$7,002,309, in November the total was \$7,106,780. But then alumni responded with their usual generosity to the fall phonathon and The University Advancement staff delivered more than \$1.2 million in proposals during the fall. In addition, several unexpected friends and alumni established endowments with gifts, pledges and planned gifts. We have made tremendous progress since September, and are moving forward with several new initiatives for future gifts. Details follow:

PROGRESS TOWARDS GOAL: . \$7,759,000*

**NEW GIFTS AND PLEDGES
SINCE SEPTEMBER 2005:** \$756,691*

PROPOSALS BEING CONSIDERED:

Businesses: \$428,000

Alumni and Friends: \$20,000

PROPOSALS IN DEVELOPMENT FOR SPECIFIC PROSPECTS:

Business, Corporate and Foundation: . . . \$50,000

**note: includes planned gifts at face value*



Graduate Barbara Ross promised her son that if he would stay in school, she would finish her degree someday.

Mansfield University Adult Education Programs Prepare for Spring GED Graduation

Cyndi Compton, director of Adult Basic Education (ABE) Programs, announces that this year's General Education Diploma (GED) graduation will take place on June 24 at 2 p.m. in Straughn Hall. The public is invited to attend. This is the second consecutive year that the program has sponsored an official ceremony. In 2005, Mansfield University's Center for Lifelong Learning graduated 91 GED recipients, and 24 of those graduates attended the ceremony made possible by the ABE staff and volunteers.

Funds provided through private sources allowed the center to purchase and provide graduates with tassels and other graduation regalia.

The Adult Basic Education programs at Mansfield University are an important public service funded by the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Bureau of Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE). The programs provide a wide range of instructional services that address the basic educational needs of adults and families. High school equivalency (GED) exam preparation is just one of the many programs offered. In addition, family literacy programs address the literacy needs of all members of the family while promoting parents' involvement in their children's education as their children's first teachers and most powerful influence on their academic success. Also, ABE programs seek to improve the reading and math skills of educationally disadvantaged adults to levels of proficiency necessary for them to meet their needs and goals in their roles as citizens, workers, and family members.

Compton shared many reasons why people may decide to pursue

their services. Some clients may wish to go to college, while others may be looking to improve their literacy and math skills for an existing job. Other reasons may stem from a desire to improve one's quality of life or to increase one's chances of securing new employment in an ever changing job market. In 2000, approximately 20% of Tioga County's population (ages 25 and older) did not possess a high school diploma.

When asked what she enjoyed most about her work, Compton said, "I love working with the students. Even though I don't teach any of the classes, I love watching the students succeed." She also said she is excited to have two Mansfield University students, Melanie Martin and Clarence Stevenson, completing internships in her office. Both students are social work majors. Compton said they are working hard to help expand the spectrum of client services offered at the university to include field placement, employment training, and job readiness tasks.

Mansfield is the only university in the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education to provide ABLE services. The staff often collaborates with local workforce and assistance agencies to service Tioga County and surrounding areas. This year the National Guard Armory in Wellsboro is allowing Mansfield's ABLE programs to use their classrooms free of charge, helping more adults reach their educational goals. Additionally, the Mansfield University Foundation provides scholarships to help defray GED exam costs for eligible students.

As federal and state funding for Adult Basic Education and Family Literacy programs continues to decline, the Mansfield Center for Lifelong Learning plans to expand its search for more private sources of funding to help subsidize increasing costs. For more information regarding Adult Basic Education services, or to inquire about volunteer opportunities, please contact Cyndi Compton at (570) 662-4746.



From Your Alumni Director

Aloha!

I was fortunate to help host more than 180 alumni and friends of the PA State System universities as we enjoyed a 10-day Hawaiian adventure in August of 2005. There was plenty of time to get acquainted with travelers from our sister schools at the complimentary receptions on-board ship and during

the special excursions that were scheduled for our group. The Hawaiian people were extremely friendly and provided a warm welcome to us wherever we traveled. Each day held a new adventure, from the first solemn moment as we experienced Pearl Harbor and the Arizona Memorial in the early morning hours, to the dramatic panoramas at Waimea Canyon, Haleakala Summit and Volcanoes National Park, to the amazing talent displayed at the Polynesian Cultural Center and the world-famous beaches of Waikiki (Oahu) and Maui, as we became one big Ohana (family). All together now — Humuhumunukunukuapuaʻa.



Marge Cole Lee '44 (standing second from left) and her classmates enjoy "Mansfield Day" in Eagles Mere.

There are some intriguing trips planned for 2006 and many under consideration for 2007. See page 9 for details.

Summer get-togethers

More than 40 alumni and friends were in attendance at the Eagles Mere luncheon which is hosted annually by **Marjorie Cole Lee '44** and her husband **Ken '48**. This luncheon began more than 35 years ago, with Marge's classmates from 1944 comprising the core group.

Each summer, **Rod '88** and Donna Pursell host an annual get-together for former MU football players and their families at the Pursell home in the Lehigh Valley area.

Alumni Directory

It will soon be easier to locate your Mansfield friends and plan a get-together! The alumni office is in the initial stages of working with Harris Connect to publish a new Alumni Directory. Please see page 9 for details on the upcoming Sesquicentennial edition. You can update your contact information with the alumni office any time by completing the on-line form at www.mansfield.edu, select Alumni and Friends, and Change of Information. We also encourage you to include your email address in the searchable on-line directory. We frequently receive positive feedback from alums who have been able to reconnect by locating their friends via the email directory.

Alumni Weekend

And while many of us enjoy traveling and meeting regionally with fellow alumni, it is a special pleasure for me to welcome alums back to campus. I hope your summer travel plans will bring you to Mansfield for the 2006 Alumni Weekend festivities scheduled for Thursday, June 8 through Sunday, June 11. See page 10 for details and registration information.

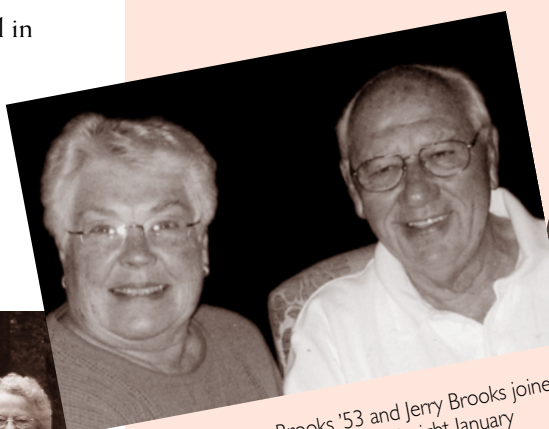
In preparation for their Golden Anniversary celebration, the Class of 1956 has formed a reunion committee to plan for the special weekend.

Enthusiastic class members Janet Manbeck, Quentin Masolotte and Marilyn Melhuish traveled to campus and called former classmates to personally invite them to Alumni Weekend, while Eleanor Seely Stilwell and Merle Stilwell contacted classmates from their home in Indiana, PA. Class members were asked to make a contribution to the class gift which will be presented to the university during Saturday's Alumni Weekend luncheon on June 10. The class goal is to fund an endowed scholarship to commemorate their Golden Anniversary and signify their ongoing commitment to Mansfield.

Looking forward to seeing you in June!

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Dawn Peechatka Brooks '53 and Jerry Brooks joined PA State System alumni for a 15-night January sojourn to Argentina, Chile, Uruguay and the Falkland Islands.



Karen and Duane '74 Botterbusch take the tender boat to Kona, Hawaii.



July 2005 Lehigh Valley get-together hosted by Rod '88 and Donna Pursell.



Dorothy Orme Scaggs '74 and her daughter Priscilla Cole learn the Hula during the Hawaiian cruise!



Hawaiian Adventure – Drew and Gloria '72 Choplick Schelling enjoy the alumni reception in the Outrigger Lounge.



A gathering of old friends and new acquaintances on the Hawaiian cruise. Seated: Bruce and Joyce Broadbent. Standing: Marti and Jack Barbor, Bob '56 and Susan Terry, Marybeth Famulare, Denise Berg.



Upcoming Travel

Greek Isles Cruise July 2 – 15, 2006

See the mighty Roman Colosseum, explore the ancient monuments of Athens and savor the lush island paradise of Corfu. Shop in Monte Carlo and explore the site of the original Olympic Games. You'll visit Venice and Naples, Italy; Dubrovnik, Croatia; Kusadasi, Turkey; and in Greece you'll visit Corfu, Katakolon, Athens, Mykonos, Rhodes and Santorini. Prices range from approximately \$3500 to \$5000 pp double occupancy and include air from Philadelphia, Pittsburgh or Newark (call for pricing from other cities), airport transfers in Europe, port charges, and meals onboard ship. An optional 2-night extension in Rome (price TBA) will include an exclusive, private after-hours tour of the Sistine Chapel and Vatican Museum.

Canada Cruise July 24 – 29, 2006

Set sail from New York for an amazing five-day cruise, including St. John, New Brunswick and Halifax, Nova Scotia. A great option for a family vacation as there are many supervised activities for children as part of the Camp Carnival program. Pricing starts at just \$751 pp double occupancy and 3rd and 4th person rates are available for all cabin categories. Price includes round-trip bus transfers from central and eastern Pennsylvania, port charges, all taxes, and all meals and entertainment onboard ship.

Irish Heritage Tour August 11 – 19, 2006

This 9-day scenic tour of Ireland will be onboard a luxury motor coach and will include the following destinations and events: Shannon (Medieval Feast), Cliffs of Moher and Killarney, Ring of Kerry, Blarney Castle and Waterford, Kilkenny and Abbey Tavern, Dublin, Clonmacnoise and Galway Bay. Estimated pricing (including air from Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Newark or JFK) ranges from \$2500 to \$2800 pp double occupancy and includes airport transfers, daily sightseeing with professional tour director, full breakfasts, table d'hote dinners, medieval banquets, cabarets and more.

Mexican Riviera January 17 – 25, 2007

This unique 8-day itinerary is a great way to experience the exotic Gold Coast of Mexico. Sail roundtrip from Los Angeles to four spectacular seaside cities including Acapulco, Zihuatanejo/Ixtapa, Puerto Vallerata and Cabo San Lucas. Prices TBA.

Tentative destinations for 2007 include: Alaska – inside passage and Canadian Rockies, China, Paris, British Isles, Africa (safari), and Australia.

For more information and complete itineraries call the MU Alumni office at (570) 662-4853 or visit www.alumnivacations.com. For reservations and pricing call (800) 506-7447.

In Search of... All Mansfield University Alumni

In an effort to make it possible for MU alumni from around the globe to be in contact with one another, the Mansfield University Alumni Office is proud to announce the publication of a special Sesquicentennial edition (150th anniversary) alumni directory.

Scheduled for release in the spring of 2007, our Alumni Directory will be the most up-to-date and complete reference of more than 21,000 Mansfield University grads ever compiled! This comprehensive volume will include current name and name when a student graduated (if different), as well as class year(s) and degree(s) earned from Mansfield. Each biographical listing may include home address and phone number, names of spouse and children, in addition to detailed professional information.

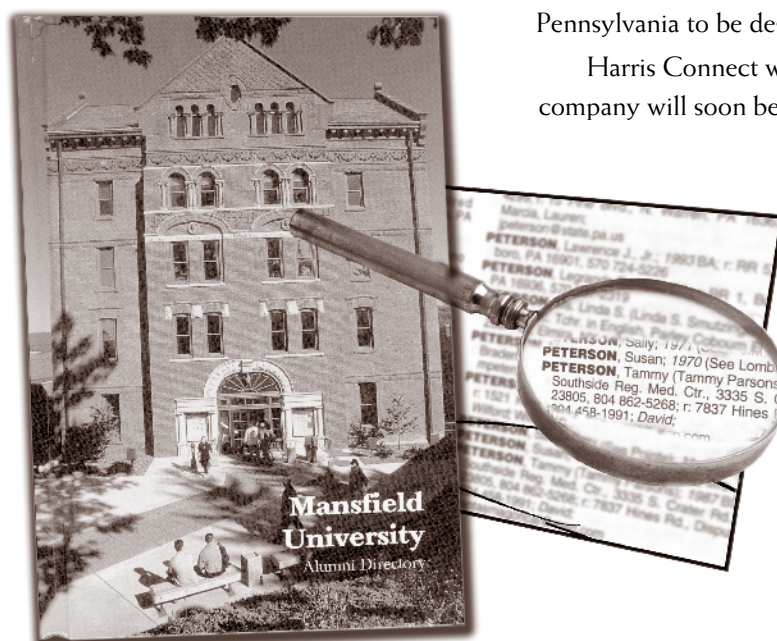
The new 2007 edition will list alumni alphabetically with the information outlined above, by class year, by geographic location and by occupation in our special career networking section. It will also include

a historical look at Mansfield and special audio and video highlights on the CDROM edition. For example, did you know that on May 13, 1927, Mansfield became the first institution in the state of Pennsylvania to be designated as a state teachers college?

Harris Connect will produce this special edition. The company will soon begin researching and compiling the data

to be included in the directory by mailing a questionnaire to each alumnus/a. Please be sure to complete and return the questionnaire as soon as possible after you receive it. If we don't have your current address, please contact the Alumni Office as soon as possible so we can make sure you receive a directory questionnaire!

With your participation, the 2007 Sesquicentennial edition of the Mansfield University Alumni Directory is sure to be a great success. Look for more details on the project in future issues of the Mansfieldian.



Endless Mountain Music Festival

The First Annual Endless Mountain Music Festival has been set for July 29 through August 6 in the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon area, where "Mozart Meets the Tango!"

Mansfield University, along with the Mansfield University Foundation, Citizens & Northern Bank, Ward Manufacturing and Wellsboro Imaging, Inc. are the major sponsors of the event.

MU faculty members Kenneth Sarch, Mark-Daniel Schmid, Irena Portenko and Dana Tan are among the scheduled performers.

For more information on the festival schedule, tickets and how to support the festival check online at www.endlessmountain.net.



Alumni Weekend 2006

June 8 – 11

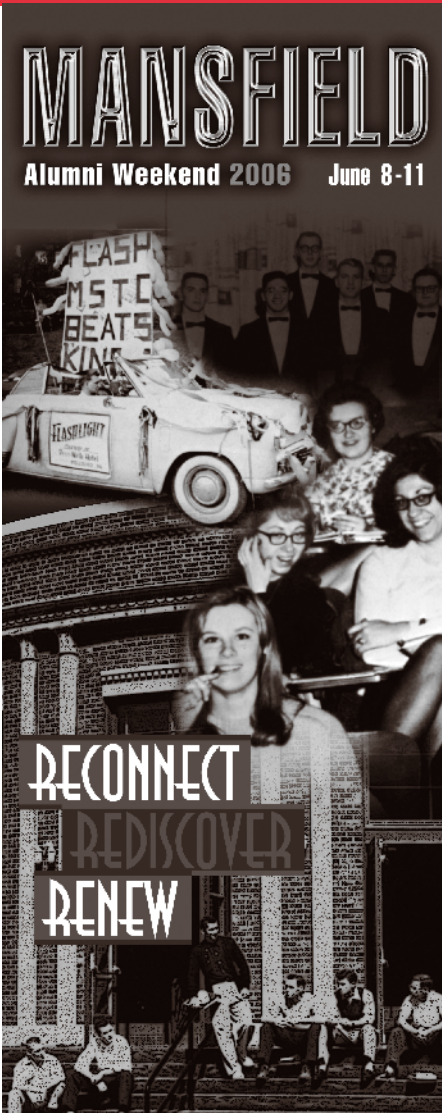
Reconnect Rediscover Renew

Mark it on your calendar and plan to join us on campus for Alumni Weekend 2006, June 8 - 11. Alumni Weekend is a special time for all alumni to reconnect, rediscover, and renew your ties to friends and to Mansfield, and we extend a special welcome to those with class years ending in 6 and 1. Honored guests will include the Class of 1956, Society of Honors inductees, and retired faculty. There's a full schedule of activities planned, with plenty of opportunities for you to reconnect and renew acquaintances, rediscover your old haunts and to see what's new and exciting here at Mansfield.

Don't be disappointed – register early!
We look forward to seeing you on campus in June.

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to Liz's delicious homemade scones and Yorkshire tea. There'll be a handmade door prize and special discounts on purchases. A restroom is available, but please note that the shop is not wheelchair/handicap accessible due to a 20-step staircase.

Our annual **Alumni Golf Tournament** will be held at the Corey Creek Golf Club with a shotgun start at 8:15 a.m. In addition to providing a competitive activity, the Alumni Golf Tournament plays an important part in raising dollars to fund athletic scholarships for Mansfield University students. Contact your friends and form a foursome or contact us and we'll arrange a foursome. The entry fee covers all fees, most contests (duffers, skins and mulligans) and includes lunch. Additional contests may be available on game day. The **"Kappa" challenge** continues.... For more info contact Alex Ogeka, director of development for athletics at aogeka@mansfield.edu or (570) 662-4380.

Spending Friday on campus? There will be **student-hosted tours of North Hall**, a **bus tour of campus** and you'll want to save some time for shopping at the **Campus Bookstore** located in Alumni Hall.

Lobsterfest! The tradition continues... Join us on the president's lawn for lobster and London broil. Sit back, relax, and savor the delicious food and the wonderful company.

Another much-loved tradition? The **annual Alumni Sing-along**, of course! We'll be gathering in the Student Center of Alumni Hall for songs and Mansfield trivia hosted by **MayBelle Golis '49** and **Numa Snyder '42**. If you are interested in helping and/or performing, please contact Dixie Sheridan at dsherida@mansfield.edu or (570) 662-4296.

Saturday, June 10

Following the Class Meetings and Class Photos, we'll be honoring class years ending in 6 and 1 with special recognition for the Class of 1956, retired faculty and the newest members of the Alumni Society of Honors at Saturday's Luncheon. Reunion classes will be seated together. Following lunch, there will be **student-hosted tours of North Hall** and **guided bus tours of campus**. You won't want to miss this year's **Annual Ice Cream Social** which will highlight the harmony of the Supies of '61. Be prepared to enjoy the **Third Annual Campus Place Tennis Ball Race** – a FUNdraising (spectator) event to benefit the MU Women's Soccer Team! Contact Coach Tim Dempsey for more information tdempsey@mansfield.edu or (570) 662-4454.

Saturday's dinner will be held in Manser Hall followed by a delicious **"chocoholic" dessert buffet** in Alumni Hall. Get ready to dance the night away as Joe Cavallaro and his band perform many of your favorites. Just want to reminisce with your friends? There will be comfortable seating near the buffet, just outside room 307.

Special Events

Thursday, June 8

Arriving on Thursday? Plan to join us for an **Italian-themed** evening in the North Dining room of Manser Hall. We'll start the evening with hors d'oeuvres as we begin to reconnect and renew our friendships. The main buffet will feature a delicious array of Italian dishes and we'll have time to share more memories over dessert. There will be Carontowans, Passwords and photos on hand, and we invite you to share your Mansfield stories and memorabilia as we are serenaded with the beautiful tableside violin music of **Numa Snyder '42**.

Friday, June 9

Join your friends for an excursion to the **"Wonderful World of Wool"** at Yorkshire Meadows, an enchanting little sheep farm with a spinning and knitting shop, located just a few miles northeast of Mansfield. Wear comfortable shoes as our tour of the farm begins in the field where we'll have the opportunity to meet the newest lambs. The engaging tour, led by owner, Liz McLelland, will then proceed to the fleece barn where we'll see 200 natural colored fleeces in their raw state. In the shop you'll find various finished products (both knitted and felted), a selection of both natural and funky yarns, as well as a display of dyed and processed wool ready for spinning. We'll also be treated to spinning and weaving demonstrations and

Schedule of Events

Thursday, June 8

3 p.m. - 8 p.m.

EARLY ARRIVAL REGISTRATION, Laurel B Residence Hall
Registration packet will include name badge, confirmation for all pre-paid meals & events, Bookstore discount coupon, listing of all registered attendees, campus map, any updates or changes to schedule.

6:30 - 11 p.m.

ITALIAN-THEMED BUFFETS, North Dining, Manser Hall.
Reception and Hors d'oeuvres Buffet followed by a dinner buffet and a dessert buffet.
We'll supply the Carontowans, Passwords and photos - You supply the memories!

Friday, June 9

7:30 a.m. - 9 a.m.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, Laurel Lounge. Residence Hall guests.
REGISTRATION, Laurel
NORTH HALL OPEN. Hosted tours throughout the day.
CAMPUS BOOKSTORE OPEN, Alumni Hall Student Center
GOLF TOURNAMENT, Corey Creek Golf Club Shotgun start at 8:15 a.m.

8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

8 a.m.

8:45 a.m. - 12 p.m.

EXCURSION TO YORKSHIRE MEADOWS. Vans will load and unload near Laurel.

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

JAZZMAN'S open for lunch

1:45 - 2:45 p.m.

GUIDED BUS TOUR OF CAMPUS

6:30 p.m.

LOBSTER & LONDON BROIL FEST, President's lawn

8:30 - 10:30 p.m.

ALUMNI MEMORIES, Alumni Hall, Student Center Lounge
Annual Alumni sing-along plus MU trivia. Bring along your own MU trivia questions and answers! Light refreshments.

Saturday, June 10

7:30 - 9:30 a.m.

8 - 10 a.m.

11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

9:30 - 10 a.m.

10 - 11:30 a.m.

Noon - 2:15 p.m.

2:30 & 3:30 p.m.

2:30 & 3:30 p.m.

3:30 - 5 p.m.

4:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:45 - 11 p.m.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, Laurel Lounge. Residence Hall Guests
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
CAMPUS BOOKSTORE OPEN, Alumni Hall Student Center
REGISTRATION AND CLASS RECEPTION, North Hall
Coffee and pastries
CLASS MEETINGS & CLASS PHOTOS, North Hall
Class of 1956 will meet in 307 Alumni Hall
ALUMNI WEEKEND LUNCHEON, North Dining, Manser Hall
Honoring reunion classes, Society of Honors, and retired faculty
GUIDED BUS TOUR OF CAMPUS
GUIDED TOUR OF NORTH HALL
ICE CREAM SOCIAL, Student Mall featuring the Supies of '61
"CAMPUS PLACE" TENNIS BALL RACE, adjacent to Student Mall
DINNER, North Dining, Manser Hall
CHOCOOLIC DESSERT BUFFET & DANCING, 307 Alumni Hall

Sunday, June 11

7:30 - 9:30 a.m.

8 - 10 a.m.

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST, Laurel Lounge. Residence Hall Guests
RESIDENCE HALL CHECKOUT

2006 Registration

Complete and mail to arrive by June 2 to:
Alumni Office
524 North Hall
Mansfield University
Mansfield, PA16933



First Name _____ Last Name _____ Maiden Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State/Zip _____ Phone _____
E-mail _____ Class Year _____
Please list who will be arriving with you and their class year if Mansfield Alum: _____

Please indicate if you require handicapped parking: ☐ Z~c ☐ U] Â Please indicate if you prefer not to have your name included as an Alumni Weekend registrant on the MU Website.
☐ DO NOT include my name on the MU Website

Events Please register for the events you will be attending:

Thursday, June 8

6:30 p.m. Italian Buffet Dinner #____ of reservations x \$15 pp = \$_____

Friday, June 9

8 a.m. Golf Tournament, Corey Creek Golf Club.....#____ of reservations x \$_____ = \$_____
Price includes lunch, most contests and all fees. \$100 pp/non-member \$85 pp/member
8:45 a.m. Excursion to Yorkshire Meadows#____ of reservations x \$15 pp = \$_____
6:30 p.m. Picnic at President's Residence
Lobster, London Broil & Shrimp#____ of reservations x \$27 pp = \$_____
OR London Broil & Shrimp#____ of reservations x \$20 pp = \$_____

Saturday, June 10

9:30 a.m. Class Reception, meeting & photo.....#____ attending, no charge = _____ NC
Noon Alumni Weekend Luncheon#____ of reservations x \$14 pp = \$_____
This luncheon honors the Class of 1956, Society of Honors recipients, and retired faculty. There is no charge for these honorees or for Classes of 1951, 1946, 1941, 1936, 1931, and 1926.
3:30 p.m. Ice Cream Social.....#____ attending, no charge = _____ NC
6:30 p.m. Dinner.....#____ of reservations x \$25 pp = \$_____
Beef and Reef entrée will include pan-fried Grouper and herb crusted beef tenderloin.

On-Campus Housing in Laurel Residence Hall

Room fee is \$40 per person (regardless of the number of nights) and includes light continental breakfast. Linen fee is \$10 per set and includes sheets, blanket, pillow and towel.
Please note: Laurel is neither air-conditioned nor heated in June. You may want to bring: blanket and/or fan, wash cloth, additional towel(s), alarm clock, clothing hangers.
☐ I/we will stay in Laurel and bring my own linens #____ people x \$40 pp = \$_____
☐ I/we will stay in Laurel and need linens #____ people x \$50 pp = \$_____
Grand Total \$_____

Arrival: I/we will be arriving at approximately _____(time) on _____ (date)
Departure: I/we will be departing at approximately _____(time) on _____ (date)

☐ Check enclosed payable to: MUF, Inc. – Alumni Weekend
☐ Please bill my credit card: ☐ MC ☐ YR/Ó
Card # _____ Exp. Date _____
Signature _____



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Off-Campus Accommodations:

Make your reservations early!

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Comfort Inn (800) 822-5470
Crossroads B&B (800) 661-3581
Mansfield Inn (800) 918-8333
Oasis (570) 659-5576
Star Crest (570) 659-5828
West's (800) 995-9378

Blossburg

Mountain Laurel B&B (570) 638-0328

Troy

Golden Oak Inn B&B (570) 297-4315
Holcombe House B&B (570) 297-2460
Troy Motel (570) 297-2145

Wellsboro

Arvgarden B&B (570) 724-4337
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La Belle Auberge B&B (866) 250-8117
La Petite Auberge B&B (866) 250-8117
Penn Wells Hotel & Lodge (800) 545-2446
Sherwood Motel (800) 626-5802

When you arrive, please go directly to registration:
Thursday & Friday – Laurel lobby Saturday – North Hall

**** Emergency ****

If someone must reach you during Alumni Weekend
call Mansfield University Police (570) 662-4900.

Directions from Route 15:

Take Route 6 Exit to Mansfield. Turn left and travel east on Route 6. Proceed straight through traffic light; proceed 2 blocks, turn right onto South Academy Street. Proceed one full block; turn left onto College Place. Laurel residence hall will be on the right. You can park (temporarily) along the curb while you register. You'll receive a campus map in your registration packet along with information regarding parking. (Manser Dining, Alumni Hall, North Hall and the president's home are to the left/north of College Place.)



From Your Director
of Development for
Athletics, Alex Ogeka

I would like to take this opportunity to update you all on terrific things that have happened in MU Athletics since January.

Student Athletes Successes:

On the court, our men's and women's basketball teams have both made the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Playoffs.

I would personally like to congratulate the women's basketball team for making it to the post season for the first time in the program's history!



Tom "Stickman" Carter performed at the MU basketball games on Kiwanis Family Night, February 16.

Honor Roll:

Alison Tagliaferri (Jersey Shore/Jersey Shore) was named the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division Basketball Player of the Year, the first time an MU player has earned the honor. She also became the first player in conference history to earn All-PSAC East First Team honors in each of her four seasons since the PSAC went to the two-team conference selection process in 1989-90.

Jessica Uhrich (Palmyra/Palmyra) was named to the PSAC Eastern Division First Team. This marks the first team in the women's program history that two players have earned First Team honors in the same season.

Brandon DeShields (York/York) was named First Team All-PSAC East in men's basketball.

David Hoopes (Philadelphia/Archbishop Carrol) was named to the All-PSAC East Second Team.

Chris Cummings (Mansfield/Mansfield) became the first runner to garner Division II All-American honors in school history when he finished sixth in the indoor mile at the NCAA Division II National Championships in Boston on March 11. He finished with a time of 4:09.34.

The MU Field Hockey team is one of only 15 schools in the NCAA Division II to earn Academic Team Honors from the National Field Hockey Coaches Association. In order to earn this honor, a team must have a combined GPA of over 3.0.

Please visit our new and improved athletic website at www.GoMounties.com to keep updated on all that is happening in MU Athletics.

Facilities Improvements:

- 4 New press box and storage facility for the softball team at Lutes Field.
- 4 Decker Gymnasium weight room has been expanded; new equipment added.
- 4 New bleachers have been ordered for Shaute Field (baseball).
- 4 Athletic Mentoring Program has a new home in Hemlock Manor.

Fundraising Activities:

Our annual athletic phonathon begins on March 20, 2006.

In March our campaigns for the MU Football Legacy Club and the Friends of Mansfield University Athletic Teams will be taking place.

We would also like to encourage all former student athletes who may have moved in the last couple of years to please update your current information online at: <http://www.mansfield.edu/%7Ealumni/alumform2.cfm>



Kiwanis President, and MU Director of Purchasing, Tekeste Abraham (center) presents a check for \$150 for the athletics program to Director of Athletics Roger Maisner (right) and Director of Athletic Development Alex Ogeka (left).

Recent Events:

I would first like to thank all who attended our pre-game reception for Mansfield Alumni and friends at the Rollins College Winter Park Rotary Tangerine Men's Basketball Tournament in Winter Park, Florida on December 29.

On Saturday, January 7, the athletic development office sponsored "Take a Kid to the Game Day" promotion at Decker Gymnasium as our men's and women's basketball teams played Indiana (PA). Also in attendance was the official NCAA Basketball Mascot—J.J. Jumper.

On Wednesday, February 15, Mansfield University Advancement and the MU Foundation hosted Business/Kiwanis Night Out at Decker Gymnasium. Over 200 local businesses were invited. The Mansfield Kiwanis were also in attendance. We would like to thank the Kiwanis organization for making a generous donation to MU Athletics before the game. The crowd was entertained by Tom "The Stickman" Carter and his Long Stick Basketball Show sponsored by the University Commons at Mansfield.

This is a very exciting time in Mansfield Athletics and I am looking forward to the spring sports season to begin. I hope to see you at a game or one of our upcoming events.

If you have any additional questions or concerns you may contact me directly at (570) 662-4380 or via e-mail at aogeka@mansfield.edu.

Go Mounties!

Alex Ogeka



MU alumni, friends family and staff gathered for a reception before the Mountaineer men's basketball game in the Rollins College Winter Park Rotary Tangerine Basketball Tournament in Winter Park, FL on December 29th.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Saturday, April 29

• **Frank Butsko Awards Breakfast**, North Manser Dining, 10 a.m., \$25/couple, \$15/person. All individuals who have given to the 2006 Football Legacy Campaign will receive complimentary admission. Please RSVP to Alex Ogeka @ (570) 662-4380 or e-mail aogeka@mansfield.edu.

The Spring Red & Black Football Game, Van Norman Field, 2 p.m.

Friday, June 9

• **MU Alumni Golf Tournament** Corey Creek Golf Club, 8:15 a.m. – Shotgun Start. Proceeds support athletic scholarships. See page 11 to register.

Saturday, July 29

• **18th Annual HO-GIG Golf Outing**, Corey Creek Golf Club, 1:30 p.m. Shotgun Start. Proceeds support football scholarships

Friday, September 22 & Saturday, September 23

• **Homecoming Weekend MU Homecoming Golf Tournament**. Corey Creek Golf Club, 8:45 a.m. Shotgun Start. Proceeds support athletic scholarships.

• **Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and the Parade**, Alumni Tent Party and MU Football game vs. Lock Haven.

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MANSFIELD CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April

- 19 **"Jane Adams, History of a Community Activist"** John Mansfield
Faculty Lecture Series
Alumni Hall, Room 317, 4 p.m.
- 21 **Jazz Ensemble**
Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 22 **Symphonic Band**
Steadman Theatre, 2 p.m.
Concert Choir, Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 23 **Concert Wind Ensemble**
Steadman Theatre, 3 p.m.
- 27-28 **Jazz Festival**, Steadman Theatre
- 27 **I J ZB Vch Zä Vch**
Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 28 **Jazz Ensemble**
Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 30 **Symphony Orchestra**
Steadman Theatre, 3 p.m.

May

- 13 **Commencement**
Van Norman Field, 11 a.m.

June

- 8-10 **Alumni Weekend**

September

- 22-24 **Homecoming**
29-30 **Parent's Weekend & 1890's Weekend**

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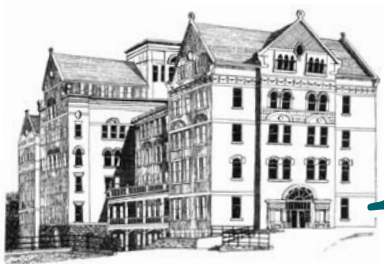
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Thank you!



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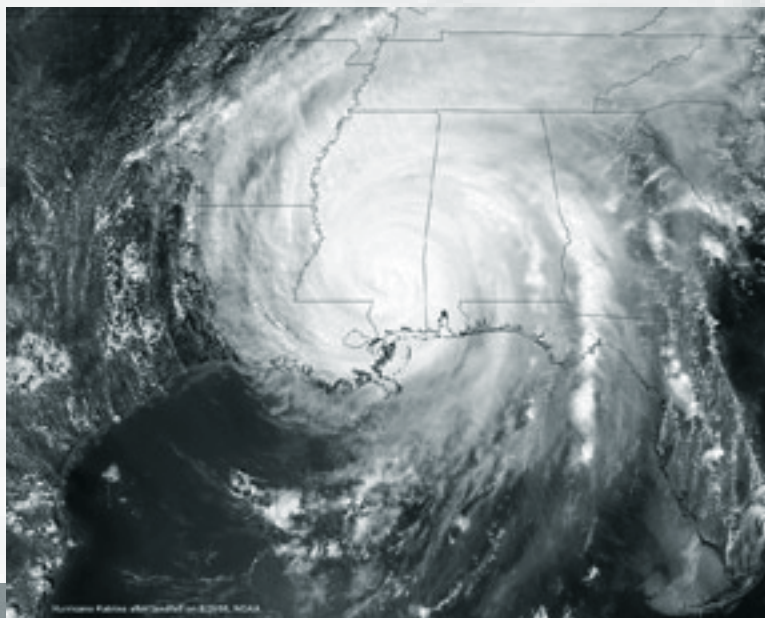
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Eye of the Storm MU Alumnus Recounts His Year after Katrina

"In eight short months I lost all my home and office possessions in New Orleans due to Katrina, migrated from Louisiana to Pennsylvania to Texas, helped to re-established a dislocated medical school in another state, met my future wife, and am planning to relocate to Ohio to raise a second family, re-unite with current family, start a new career as associate chair for research and education in Wright State's Department of Internal Medicine. Quite a number of major life changes telescoped into eight months."

That is how Ron Markert described the events of his life in an email to the alumni office in May. Understated? Yes, but not a surprise to anyone who knows the 1966 Mansfield grad.

Markert was actually writing to say how pleased he was to see the cover story about retired President Rod Kelchner in the April edition of *The Mansfieldian*



NOAA radar image of Hurricane Katrina as it slammed into New Orleans and the Gulf Coast last August.



Ron Markert (left) and his Tulane University colleagues gather in Houston last September to plan the re-start of the medical school.

Markert, director of the Tulane Medical School and professor of medicine, packed a change of clothes, a loaf of bread, a jar of peanut butter, his laptop computer and headed north "to wait out two or three days of inconvenience."

After watching the Weather Channel's coverage of the hurricane in a church shelter somewhere in northeast Louisiana on that first night, the thought that it might be more than a few days became a real possibility. Then a few days later, while watching coverage of the levees breaking from a motel room in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Markert knew those hopes of returning to New Orleans anytime soon were gone.

"It was strange, surreal, to say the least as I realized I lost at least 40 years of my professional life," he said. "My office was below the first floor so I lost everything. My apartment was also in one of the hardest hit areas so almost everything there was gone too."

"But I was safe and OK," he quickly added. "There were so many stories that were much, much sadder. Families that lost loved ones and their homes, everything gone."

and, in giving a brief update about what transpired in his life since last August, he became the cover story for this issue.

And, again in his understated and unassuming manner, Markert forgot to mention in his email that he had also been diagnosed, treated and has recovered from prostate cancer during that time.

Everything Gone

Ron Markert's odyssey began on August 27, 2005, two days before Hurricane Katrina would make landfall and devastate New Orleans and the Gulf Coast. The order to evacuate came from state, local and Tulane University campus officials.

We Did It

Not being able to communicate with anyone else from the medical school, Markert decided to make the drive to Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania to seek shelter with his brother. A few days of resting and spending time with family ended

Maravene S. Loeschke named 26th Mansfield President



Maravene S. Loeschke

Maravene S. Loeschke, provost of Wilkes University, was selected to serve as the next president of Mansfield University by the Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education's (PASSHE) Board of Governors on May 11.

Loeschke's selection came at the conclusion of a national search. She began her tenure at Mansfield on July 1, replacing David Werner, who served as the university's interim president since last August.

Loeschke was named provost of Wilkes University in 2002. Previously, she served as Dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communication of Towson University, culminating a more than 30-year career at the institution in northern Maryland. She began her academic career as an instructor in the Theatre Department at Towson in 1970.

"Dr. Loeschke will bring to Mansfield University an outstanding record of success throughout her career," said Board

of Governors Chairman Kenneth M. Jarin. "She has a broad range of experience in academic leadership and is a proven administrator. She is an excellent choice to lead Mansfield University of Pennsylvania into the future."

PASSHE Chancellor Judy G. Hample called Loeschke "a talented leader who will serve Mansfield and the Commonwealth well."

"Dr. Maravene Loeschke brings a strong background and wealth of experience to Mansfield University" said Lew Lee, Chair of the University's Council of Trustees. "Her commitment to diversity, passion for learning and student centered focus are attributes that will serve Mansfield University well as we prepare for our 150th anniversary."

"It is a privilege for me to be chosen to lead Mansfield into its bright future," Loeschke said. "I look forward with delight to working with the faculty, staff, students and the community."

As provost at Wilkes University, Loeschke served as the University's chief academic officer, where she has been responsible for strengthening the curriculum, developing new programs and starting a Language Institute. She also created a diversity action plan for the University and participated in the University's strategic plan revision and implementation.

Loeschke earned a bachelor of science degree in theatre and English and a master's degree in education from Towson. She received her Ph.D. from The Union Institute in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Loeschke began working as a production assistant and actress for Maryland Public Television in 1970. She was hired that same year as an instructor of theatre arts at Towson University and, four years later, was promoted to assistant professor. She became an associate professor in 1983 and was promoted to professor in 1990. She served as Chair of the Department of Theatre Arts from 1983 to 1996.

In 1996, Loeschke was named acting dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communication. She was named dean the following year, a position she held for five years. In that position, she developed mentoring programs for new faculty, adjunct faculty, staff, non-tenured faculty and women faculty. The College also developed a leadership program for women and engaged in extensive marketing and public relations efforts under Loeschke's leadership. She was actively engaged in fundraising, significantly increasing both the general college endowment as well as endowments raised specifically for student scholarships.

Loeschke has received numerous awards throughout her career, including the Towson University Alumni Service Award and the U.S. Postal Service Martin Luther King Service Award for her commitment to diversity at Wilkes University. She is a member of the American Association of University Professors, Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Theatre in Higher Education and the Emily Dickinson International Society.

She has published numerous books, articles and papers, as well as three plays. She has acted professionally and directed a number of plays.

Sesquicentennial Logo Unveiled

Mansfield Borough and University officials unveiled the official logo for the 150th anniversary of the two entities on July 6.

"This is as good as it gets to have this shared heritage between the university and the community," MU President Maravene Loeschke said. "We're looking forward to the university and the community just being like this, complete partners in this wonderful year celebration, and way beyond that. I know we already do that, but we want to do it even more and even better."

"The logo celebrates the long term relationship and commitment of the town and university to each other," Marianne Bozzo of the Mansfield Borough Council said. "2007 is going to be a splendid year to spruce up, decorate, celebrate, and renew our town gown ties. To planting trees and flowers, to hanging banners, to taking part in parades, house tours, bike races, and dancing at our sesquicentennial ball, I encourage the town to



(L-R) Joe Maresco, sesquicentennial planning committee, Mansfield Mayor Tom Wierbowski '68 '72, MU President Maravene Loeschke, Marianne Bozzo '69, Mansfield Borough Council, Greater Area Mansfield Chamber of Commerce President Bruce Dart '68 and MU Vice President for University Advancement Maureen McKenna. Photo courtesy of *The Wellsboro Gazette*.

wholeheartedly show their support in our year-long party and display our joint logo with pride."

The sesquicentennial activities will kick off at the Fabulous 1890s Weekend September 29-30 and continue through 2007.

Mansfield Classical Seminary opened its doors in January 1857. The borough was formally incorporated in November 1857.

A website is being developed that will include a schedule of events, written history, oral history, photos from the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries, and other information. Two historical books are also in the works.



FROM MY VIEW

I am thrilled to join the Mansfield community as the president of Mansfield University. Several times during my career

my path intersected with Mansfield and each time a bright spark was ignited. Little did I know that my life's mission would take me to Mansfield as its 26th president. There are many things that excite me about the university, most especially the quality of teaching, mentorship and individual student attention that the faculty and staff provide. Alumni have told me that this is the reason for their love of and commitment to Mansfield.

As I walk around campus I am often reminded of the rich 150-year history and the decades of students who looked over the beautiful hills from North Hall. As I look at students text-messaging, while listening to Aerosmith on iPods and carrying copies of Maya Angelou's newest work to class, I hearken back to those first students who had just learned of the invention of Hughes' printing telegraph, were attending concerts of the new works of Wagner and Liszt and were carrying copies of Whitman's new book, *Leaves of Grass*. Mansfield, with its deep rooted history, is fertile soil in which to continue to grow a rich liberal arts education that helps students of all ages reach their full potential and take their places in history. But it is also important to engage in change that will position the University for the future. A primary connector that links the students of today with the past and the future are alumni – those who have walked the path before and can support those in whose hands the future rests.

I was born, raised, and spent the first part of my career in Baltimore with all of the richness and challenges that a big city provides. My move to Wilkes-Barre as provost of Wilkes University introduced me to the delights of a smaller city environment where I fell in love with sense of community. I was delighted to discover the myriad riches that a small community connected to a university generate. I found myself immersed in community activity and community pride, and in turn, my sense of community spirit was renewed. I am looking forward to becoming a part of the Mansfield family in all its forms including the vast alumni network. I hope to meet many of you in my travels across the state and beyond. When you are in town, please stop by the President's Office to say hello.

There are challenges to be addressed at Mansfield. Higher Education is continuously undergoing change, outside pressures are increasing, and the nature of student learning is ever in flux. In order to remain competitive and vital, the University will need to engage in change, and change can be uncomfortable and sometimes daunting. I am confident that together, as a community, we will meet the future while valuing the past. I am equally confident that we will position Mansfield to hold a primary position in the Pennsylvania State System and that we can expand our reputation for academic excellence nationally and internationally.

Eleanor Roosevelt, who once visited the Mansfield campus, said, "The future belongs to those who follow their dreams." I ask that we dream often, dream big, share our dreams and work together to turn them into reality. I welcome the opportunity to hold the beacon as we shape and move into the future.

Maravene Loeschke

Maravene Loeschke
President



Interim President David Werner presents the Outstanding Senior Award to Carissa Ganong of Millerton, PA.

Spring Commencement Celebrated

Three hundred seventy-six students received degrees at Mansfield University's 141st Commencement on Saturday, May 13 in Decker Gymnasium.

Before presenting the graduates with their diplomas, MU Interim President David Werner told the Class of 2006, "I have had the privilege and honor of serving as Interim President of this fine University for this year, a year I will treasure as I am sure you will treasure your time here."

Werner also told that graduates that with the privileges their degrees may afford them also come responsibilities. "As an educated person, you are called upon to share the talents and abilities that this institution has helped you to develop; to assume the responsibility of being a part of the solution to today's problems, to make contributions that will last," he said.

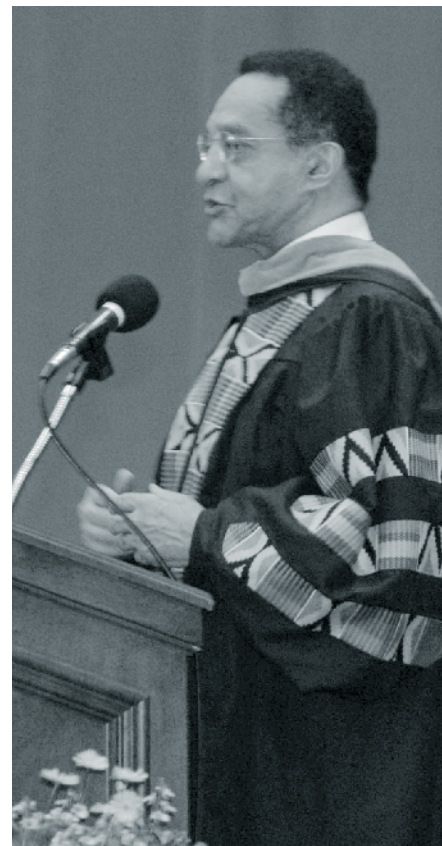
Tony Brown, best known for his work in television as host of the PBS series *Tony Brown's Journal*, who is also as a producer, bestselling author, film director civil rights activist and educator, delivered an inspirational message as guest speaker.

Brown told the graduates and the audience to seek the truth "which has never been destroyed and never will be, despite the efforts of some people."

"Don't congratulate yourself for being an educated and intelligent person," he added. "Congratulate yourself for being a good person. The true you is eternal. Develop it."

Carissa Ganong of Millerton, PA was named this year's Outstanding Senior. She graduated with a QPA of 3.959 in her triple majors of Biology, Chemistry and Spanish. She received the award for highest QPA in the MU Honors Program and the Mansfield University Foundation Award.

Ganong is also on the national Dean's List and has received academic achievement awards for Spanish and chemistry. She was a member of and held officer positions in several campus organizations including Club de Espanol, Chemistry Club, Biology Club, Sigma Zeta and the MU ecology research group. Ganong served as a tutor in chemistry, biology and Spanish and volunteers as a 4-H leader.



PBS Host Tony Brown was the guest speaker at Spring Commencement.

Unrestricted Gifts Help Students

The Mansfield University Foundation is an excellent steward of your unrestricted gifts – this has been our focus for many years while we seek endowment gifts to meet our campaign goals. Higher education is not inexpensive, and Mansfield University needs private support to enhance the good education that is possible through Commonwealth support (which is currently 38% of Mansfield's operating budget) and the costs borne by students and their families.

With the excellent support of Mansfield friends and alumni, the Foundation has increased its unrestricted support to the University since 1999 from \$99,000 to more than \$200,000 in 2005–2006. These funds have supported scholarships and programs that bring the Renewal of the Mansfield Plan to life to better serve the needs of our students, the University, and our community. We are also proud that the Foundation is able to help the University through both restricted and unrestricted gifts; not all of our sister schools are able and willing to do so.

Tuition and fees for a full-time Pennsylvania resident totaled more than \$13,000 in 2005-2006. Commonwealth policies prohibit the University from using operating dollars to support scholarships; Mansfield students need help to avoid taking on excessive debt to reach their educational goals. It is private gifts that create our scholarship program.

For fall 2006 the Foundation has designated 93% of its unrestricted support for scholarships to deserving students providing \$95,500 to support full-time sophomores, juniors and seniors who have proven academic success and maintain leadership positions on campus and in the community. We will continue our current practice to support incoming-student scholarships for outstanding student leaders and student athletes with more than \$100,000. We feel it is very important to meet student needs and to reward student success, and we need your help to do so. Our goal is to raise \$250,000 in unrestricted gifts in 2006–2007.

When our student callers phone you during the fall phonathon, please consider increasing your unrestricted gift so that we may continue to help Mansfield students afford a quality education. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for helping Mansfield University provide quality education that is accessible and affordable.

Maureen C. McKenna
Executive Director
Mansfield University Foundation



International Relations

Tom Allis '57 sent this, the official January 2006 publication of the Grand Hotel in Beijing, China. It highlights correspondence, including a Christmas card Allis and his wife Lois sent to Liu Zhan, a service manager at the hotel, with whom the Allis' became friends during a family vacation in China. Tom says "our friendship made the visit very special."



The CAMPAIGN for Mansfield University

Our Special Mission...Our Future

Campaign Update June 30, 2006

Greetings from Campaign Chair Ralph H. Meyer,

In my last report dated January 31, 2006, total campaign funds raised in gifts and pledges was \$7,759,000*. Since that time, Ward Manufacturing, Inc. and ACP Manufacturing, LLC pledged \$800,000 to establish a new scholarship endowment, Claverack and Tri County Rural Electric increased their scholarship endowment by \$100,000, and several other new endowments have been established by businesses, alumni and friends. As of June 30, 2006 we have raised \$9,086,973*.

NEW GIFTS AND PLEDGES
SINCE SEPTEMBER 2005:\$2,084,664*

PROPOSALS BEING CONSIDERED:
Businesses: \$103,000
Alumni and Friends: \$60,000

PROPOSALS CURRENTLY BEING FINALIZED:
Business, Corporate and Foundation: \$50,000

PROPOSALS IN DEVELOPMENT FOR SPECIFIC PROSPECTS:
Business, Corporate and Foundation: \$100,000

*Note: includes planned gifts at face value and pledges due after July 1, 2007



Ward Manufacturing President and CEO Pete Guidi Jr. (second from left) presents a check to (L-R) MU Interim President David Werner, Maureen McKenna, vice president for University Advancement & executive director of the Mansfield University Foundation, and Foundation President Ronald Goodwin '72, to create the Ward/ACP Manufacturing, Inc. Scholarship Endowment.

Advocacy Website Announced

An advocacy website where friends, family, alumni and students of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) can learn more about the important role public higher education plays in the Commonwealth has been launched.

Visitors can sign up to receive messages and communicate with their legislators through a user-friendly online process. The website is made possible by private funds from the

State System Alumni Advocacy Council (SSAAC).

The website encourages visitors to take action by writing an e-mail to their legislators and letting them know how important it is to fund the 14 PASSHE universities.

Sign-up for the Action E-list to be notified of issues and other important information at

www.passheadvocates.org

New Acts, Mainstays, Highlight 15th Annual Fabulous 1890s Weekend

A parade, music, soccer, crafts, hot air balloons and a wide variety of entertainment. That's what's in store with the 15th annual Fabulous 1890s Weekend September 29-30 in Smythe Park.

The Weekend revolves around the fact that the world's first night football game was played in Mansfield on September 28, 1892. The match set Mansfield University against Wyoming Seminary and was one of the highlights of the Great Mansfield Fair.

To celebrate this historic event, the university, the Chamber of Commerce and the entire community annually join forces to create this colorful walk into the past.

This year's Weekend begins at 3 p.m. Friday, September 29 with crafts, food music, soccer games, and a square dance. The evening highlight is an old time tent tabernacle service with special guests and lots of hymn singing.

The Weekend moves into full swing Saturday with The Motorless Parade, hot air balloons and a full day of activities.

"We have some entertainment back by popular demand," said Dennis Miller, cochair of the Weekend. "Professor Marvel is our mainstay with his old time medicine show and mesmerism demonstration. Clyde Peeling's Reptiland always packs the tent with their fascinating and educational show."

This year will also see the return of the Seneca Moon String Band. The five-man group plays more than 40 instruments. Tom "The Iris Anvil" Kelly will make his debut appearance with three shows on Saturday. "Tom visited the Weekend last year and fell in love with it," Miller said. "He carries on the tradition of the old time strong men. He bends horseshoes, tears decks of cards in half and other feats of strength."

Other attractions include hot air balloon rides, the 1890s museum tent, an 1890s boxing demonstration, a strolling musician, craft booths and lots of food. The Bucktails Civil War unit will have a living history site with period games. The sesquicentennial committee will also be on hand with games and information about the 150th anniversary of the university and the borough to be celebrated in 2006-07.

The family Weekend is capped with the crowning of Miss 1890s, the re-enactment of the world's first night football game and fireworks set to music.



"It should be a great weekend," Miller said. "Thanks to Shari Clarke, vice president for Student Affairs, Parents' Weekend is being held in conjunction with the Weekend so parents visiting their children will have a lot of activities on Smythe Park as well as the Mountie football game against East Stroudsburg on Van Norman Field at 1 p.m."

Admission for the weekend is a \$3 souvenir 1890s button.

This year's sponsors include: First Citizens Bank; Northwest Savings Bank; Citizens & Northern Bank, The Laurel Health System; the Pine Creek Arts Council; WalMart; the Bradford County Regional Arts Council; Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts; and the Mansfield University All-Residence Hall Council.

More than 30 campus and community organizations join in to make the Weekend possible.

For vendor information, contact: Gale Hall: 570-660-5620 ext. 13, or ghall@aplweb.com

For the complete schedule and background on the Fabulous 1890s Weekend, visit www.1890sweekend.com

Bernice Johnson Reagon to Perform on September 18

The Frederick Douglass Institute (FDI) at Mansfield University will present a spoken word "songtalk" performance by Bernice Johnson Reagon on Monday, September 18, at 7 p.m. in Steadman Theatre. The performance is free and open to the public.

A noted educator, scholar and performer, Reagon is professor emerita of History at American University in Washington, DC, and curator emerita at the Smithsonian National Museum of American History, she served as the 2002-2004 Cosby Chair of Fine Arts at Spelman College in Atlanta, GA.

Reagon was principal scholar, conceptual producer, and host for the Peabody Award winning Wade in the Water, a 26-show series produced by National Public Radio and Smithsonian Institution.

Reagon founded the internationally acclaimed African American woman a cappella ensemble "Sweet Honey In The Rock" in 1973. For more than 30 years she was artistic director, performer, songwriter, and producer of many of the group's recordings, before retiring in 2004.

For over 40 years Reagon has been a major cultural voice for freedom and justice. She became active in the Civil Rights Movement while a college student at Albany State College in Albany, GA, from which she was expelled after participating in a demonstration for which she and others were jailed.



Bernice Johnson Reagon

She was a member of the original Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) Freedom Singers formed in 1962 by SNCC field secretary Cordell H. Reagon, and in 1966, a founding member of the Atlanta-based Harambee Singers.

Reagon's pioneering work as a scholar, teacher, and artist has been recognized with the Heinz Award for the Arts and Humanities in 2003, the Leeway National Award for Women in the Arts in 2000, the Presidential Medal for contribution to public understanding of the Humanities in 1995 and the MacArthur Fellowship in 1989.

For more information on Reagon, check online at www.bernicejohnsonreagon.com

The FDI at MU is an interdisciplinary collaborative between Academic Affairs and Student Affairs dedicated to following the intellectual heritage and principles of Frederick Douglass and other distinguished individuals from all backgrounds.

The Institute promotes programs that will enhance the learning experience and help students develop an understanding and appreciation of human dignity and diversity.

For further information about the FDI, contact Lynn Pifer at (570)662-4384 or lpifer@mansfield.edu

Mansfield University in the National News

MU faculty and administrators are frequently in the national news, often contributing to the public dialogue on important issues. MU's programs and practices make news also. Here are examples:

"Michael Renner, provost at Mansfield University in Pennsylvania, says that sophomore programs have to have the proper context. 'Getting a student successfully through the sophomore year is different in specifics but similar in spirit to getting a student successfully through any other year of college,' he says." – from an article titled "Programs Help Sophomores Ask The Big Questions," in the July 1, 2006 issue of *Student Affairs Leader*.

"At a tourism committee meeting yesterday, (Rep. Robert) Godshall pointed to a Mansfield University survey that he said showed support for his plan. Buoyed by the study, Godshall said yesterday he is ready to ask House leaders for a floor vote on his plan. The study found that 47 percent of Pennsylvanians who responded to the poll favored opening schools after Labor Day weekend, while 26 percent opposed such a mandate, and 23 percent said they didn't care. The remainder of the respondents said they didn't know when school should open." – *Harrisburg Patriot-News*, May 24, 2006.

"The re-enactors, all Mansfield University students, have two practices a week to prepare, and they play the game in true 1890s fashion: There are no numbers or names on the uniforms to distinguish between the players. The ball they use is much larger and rounder than the modern-day pigskin – more like a basketball." – *USA WEEKEND*, May 7, 2006, in an article titled "Replaying History" about the annual September re-enactment of the first-ever night football game which was played between Mansfield and Wyoming Seminary in 1892.

"Tritium is a radioactive form of hydrogen, and exposure to it is not uncommon; for instance it can be released naturally through cosmic radiation, though at very low doses, said Barry Ganong, a chemistry professor at Mansfield University." 'In water, it's not a lot of harm even if you ingested a little bit,' Ganong said. 'You need a fairly large dose to be too concerned about it.'" – *The Associated Press*, May 2, 2006 in a story on state monitoring of levels of tritium in landfills.



Michael Renner

Barry Ganong

Tim Madigan

"Early podcasts were primarily Internet versions of news or talk-radio programs. Colleges such as Georgetown University, the University of Florida and Mansfield University of Pennsylvania, now use them as recruiting tools." – *The Wall Street Journal*, April 24, 2006.

"There are other universities pushing the podcast beyond the classroom. Mansfield University (PA) plans to incorporate podcasts into its recruitment efforts to high school students." – *University Business Magazine*, April 2006.

"The introduction of slot machines into Pennsylvania will find an all-too receptive base of participants. According to the Mansfield University State Survey released this month, Pennsylvania has a significantly higher percentage of at-risk, problem and pathological gamblers than the national average, 4.9 percent to 2.8 percent." – editorial in *The Harrisburg Patriot-News*, March 27, 2006.

"A Mansfield University poll shows that 86 percent of Pennsylvanians surveyed favor an increase in the state's \$5.15 minimum wage, although survey director Professor Tim Madigan says support drops off when the possibility of job losses are factored in: 'Still, two out of three of the people who said that they support raising the minimum wage continue to support raising the minimum wage even in the face of jobs being cut.' Madigan says that means that about 57 percent of 1,100 total Pennsylvanians surveyed still support a minimum wage increase even if it means jobs are eliminated, but there's no agreement on how high the minimum should be raised." – *KYW NewsRadio*, Philadelphia, March 24, 2006.

"The annual Mansfield University State Survey asked 1,102 Pennsylvanians 18 and older what they thought about requiring a post-Labor Day start to the school year. Forty-seven percent were in favor, 26 percent were opposed and 23 percent said it didn't matter." – *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, March 24, 2006.



Linda Rashidi

Linda Rashidi named Fulbright Scholar

Associate Professor to Teach in Bulgaria

Linda Rashidi, associate professor of English & Modern Languages at Mansfield University, has been named a Fulbright Scholar to Bulgaria. She will teach Systemic Functional Linguistics (SFL) at the University of Sophia, Bulgaria's premier university, this fall.

"I am incredibly excited about living and teaching in Bulgaria, a country with a long history of Muslim influences," Rashidi said. "Though I have lived and worked in numerous countries, I have never even

traveled to the Balkan states. I hope to soak up lots of culture, learn enough Bulgarian to function, and absorb myself in this new teaching experience. As anyone who has taught outside the US can attest to, teaching in a foreign

culture is energizing, bringing new insights and a breath of fresh air to one's teaching on home territory. I am ready to leave right now."

The fall semester at the University of Sophia begins in October and ends in February. Rashidi left for Bulgaria at the beginning of August for intensive language training before she begins teaching.

"I have been in contact with the head of the Linguistics Section of the English Department since last spring, when I began the application process," Rashidi said. "So I have a fairly clear idea of what I will be doing during my semester there – teaching two courses, one graduate and one undergraduate in SFL, my field of expertise. This will be particularly rewarding for me, as SFL is seldom taught in the U.S. but is the theory of linguistics of most of Europe. Thus both my students and my colleagues will have background in this theory. In addition, I will be supervising master's theses and, hopefully, doing some collaborative research with one or more of my colleagues."

The Fulbright Program, conceived by and named for Senator J. William Fulbright, was established in 1946 as an academic exchange effort to promote peaceful understanding between the U.S. and countries around the world through the exchange of persons, knowledge, and skills.

Maris and Roberts named Co-Employees of the Year

At the 27th Annual Mansfield University Service Recognition Program, held on April 20, Robert Maris, professor of Biology, and Marvin Roberts, applications developer in the Information Technology Department, were named Co-Employees of the Year.

The Employee Recognition Committee selected Maris and Roberts after a campus-wide nomination process.

Among the comments made on the nominations Maris received were, "He not only teaches here, but also advises different clubs and takes students to any and all conferences pertaining to their classes. He is very active in the Mansfield Lions Club and has the distinction of starting the LEO Club on campus. This is the only organization of its kind at a four-year institution in North America. He is a tireless volunteer including working at chicken barbeques, Red Cross fundraisers, collecting used eyeglasses, recycling, distributing cards to nursing homes and on and on. He is the recipient of the 1998 'Shaping Tomorrow's Leaders through Involvement' Award. Bob moves quietly through campus leaving a trail of inspiration and good deeds. He seeks no recognition or accolades, his actions simply come from a caring heart and love of humanity."

Maris, who was honored for 20 years of service at the event, also serves as advisor to the MU cheerleading team.

Among the comments made on the nominations Roberts received were, "He is a team player with a positive attitude no matter how much work is demanded from him. He not only resolves problems but also explains the process to you so that you can understand it. He helps us through constant updates and it never hurts to have a little dark chocolate on hand for him. His professionalism and expertise is outstanding. Marv has a wonderful personality and manages the many competing priorities of technical support, software problems and multiple department enhancements with a great sense of respect and calmness. He is tolerant of our lack of knowledge of technology and never makes us feel incompetent. He enables us to better serve our students and working with him is a great pleasure."

Roberts has served the university for 16 years.

The Music Department received the Spotlight Award, which is given annually to a department that exemplifies the four facets of the Mansfield Creed: Character, Scholarship, Culture and Service. The winner was decided after a campus-wide nomination process.



(L-R) MU Trustee Howard Smith presents Employee of the Year Awards to Marv Roberts and Bob Maris.

Among the comments made in the nominations were, "Their service to the university and community cannot be questioned. The Music Department gives more than 200 musical performances each year. The music therapy students have a profound and meaningful impact in the community as they serve clients with special needs. The tenets of character, scholarship and culture are reflected in the leadership provided by the Music Department. Being a music student at Mansfield University means being constantly engaged in practicing and performing and promoting the university. Students are given opportunities to perform on the world stage and all this brings positive awareness to Mansfield University and its programs."

Employees who have served MU for 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years were also honored at the event. Faculty were recognized by academic year.

People who have retired or will be retiring through summer 2006 were also recognized. They are Dennis Atkinson, Barry Brucklacher, David Darby, Kline McMullen, Olivia Mitcheltree, Dao Ton.



Front Row (L-R): Jannis Floyd (nominated by Cheryl Wilbur who was unable to attend because she is student-teaching in Australia), Michael Galloway, Brett Long, Jan Fuller (nominated by Angelee Connors who was unable to attend because she is student-teaching in Arizona.) Back Row (L-R): Melissa Clark, Teri Doerksen, Jeremy Confer, Mike Rohl, Adam Hills, David Darby, Jeff Bosworth (nominated by Anna Tkachenko who was unable to attend because she is completing an internship in Washington, D.C.), Dan Mason (nominated by Brittany Ballenstedt who was unable to attend because she is working in Washington, D.C.)

Outstanding Seniors Honor Mentors

Eight Mansfield University professors and coaches were honored as 2005-06 outstanding senior mentors at a reception on Wednesday, April 26.

They were recognized by MU's 2005-06 outstanding senior nominees for being a positive influence on them with insights, advice and inspiration and have mentored them as a student and future professional.

The honorees and the students who nominated them are: Jeff Bosworth, History & Political Science, recognized by Anna Tkachenko; David Darby, Geography & Geology, recognized by Adam Hills; Teri Doerksen,

English, recognized by Melissa Clark; Jannis Floyd, Special Education, recognized by Cheryl Wilbur; Jan Fuller, Education, recognized by Angelee Connors; Michael Galloway, Music, recognized by Brett Long; Dan Mason, Communication, recognized by Brittany Ballenstedt; Mike Rohl, Track & Cross Country, recognized by Jeremy Confer.

The event was sponsored by the Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning, the Advising Center and the Office of the Provost.

Ready Campus Program Prepares for Emergencies

Mansfield University conducted Campus Emergency Readiness Training (CERT) for campus and community members in April and May, with grant funds awarded through the Pennsylvania Ready Campus program. The training program is part of a statewide initiative in which university and community members are able to receive emergency and safety preparedness training and certification.

Ready Campus is a partnership among Pennsylvania’s colleges and universities and communities designed to strengthen preparation for and response to regional or national emergencies through the use and collaboration of campus facilities and personnel, communities, relief agencies, and experts who are certified in emergency response training. The program provides participants with service learning opportunities to prepare them to be crisis-ready civic leaders of the future.

A total of 47 participants completed a 16-hour hands-on training on campus led by Dennis Colegrove, EMT coordinator for Tioga County, and Lisa Rice, EMT trainer.

Tammy Felondis, assistant director of Human Resources, organized the event for Mansfield University. She stated the importance of having a trained employee in each campus building, and to have key personnel and community members trained to handle emergencies and disasters.

Christine Shegan, director of Police Services & Safety, said that the training was helpful, even for professionals. “The CERT training was a great review for me and the officers at Mansfield University Police Department. Some areas, like the light search and rescue, and animal rescue, were new. The CERT course identified the two hazards most common to Tioga County as high winds and flooding, but other types of natural and manmade disasters can occur here.”

Shegan noted an additional benefit, “The CERT course also dovetails with the Disaster Resistant University/Hazard Mitigation Plan project grant that was recently released by FEMA to PASSHE through the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA). We are in the early phase of this grant, and the CERT program served as a good introduction to what most of us will be involved in over the coming years, making Mansfield an institution that will be positioned to reduce loss and maintain operations in the event of a disaster.”

Mary Lou Stroud, executive assistant to the Provost stated “I truly feel I could step up to the plate and assist with or be in charge of many medical evaluations from triage to documentation and treatment.”

Laurie Buck of the Human Resources Department noted the benefits for her as an employee and community member. “My husband and I took



Members of the Mansfield University staff and community undergoing CERT Training in May.

it because we are involved in Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. The Boy Scouts have a new badge that can be earned by the troop, and the adult leaders are required to have the 16-hour CERT training for the troop to earn this badge.”

The Ready Campus program was sponsored by a grant from PEMA, Pennsylvania Campus Compact, and College Misericordia, via the federal government’s Urban Area Security Initiative-Discretionary Grant Program.

For more information about the program, please visit:
<http://www.readycampus.org/about.html>

Faculty Scholarship Collection Contributors Honored



Mark-Daniel Schmid

Seventeen Mansfield University faculty and staff members who have published or produced a book, compact disc, or video in the last four years were honored at a special ceremony in North Hall Library on Tuesday, April 4.

A signed copy of each author’s work was added to North Hall Faculty Scholarship Collection at the ceremony.

Those honored were: Helen R. Adams, Jane J. Benjamin, Adam F. Brennan, Andrea L. Harris, Howard Iseri, Karen E. Guenther, Gale Largey, Dennis R. Miller, Kathleen Odean, Linda S. Rashidi, Edward S. Ryan, Matthew C. Slotkin, Mark-Daniel Schmid, Judith A. Sornberger, Howard Travis, John M. Ulrich and K. Sue Young.

Also at the ceremony, Mark-Daniel Schmid, associate professor of Music, was presented with the North Hall Library Torch Award.

The North Hall Torch Award was established to recognize a faculty member who supports the library by being a scholar who is involved in collection development, who uses library resources in his or her courses of study, and who is a proponent of library ideals in both word and deed.

Schmid’s book, *The Richard Strauss Companion*, was among those added to the Faculty Scholarship Collection at the ceremony.

Brennan to Direct International Show

Adam Brennan, chair of the Mansfield University Music Department and director of “The Spirit & Pride of Pennsylvania” MU Marching Band, will serve as music director and arranger of the Rochester International Marine Tattoo at Blue Cross Arena in Rochester, NY on September 16-17.

The event will bring together bands, including the MU Marching Band, drill units and dancers from across the U.S., Canada and Great Britain for a “traditional military style extravaganza.”

For more information check online at www.rochestermarinetattoo.com



Adam Brennan

CDC Puts Out Call to Alumni

The Mansfield University Career Development Center (CDC) is planning events in the fall when alumni can get involved and "give back" to MU. The CDC's mission is to "deliver to students and alumni the best possible career education and assistance to prepare them for effective, successful, and satisfying life-work." Among the many services offered by the CDC are:

- Career exploration
- Resume writing and critique
- Practice interviews
- Job search resources and job postings at CollegeCentral.com
- Resource library and computer workstations
- On-campus recruitment days
- On-campus career fairs
- Access to career fairs at PASSHE member institutions
- Pre-professional testing (Praxis Series)
- CLEP testing
- Graduate school information and entrance exam testing/assistance

The CDC website (web.mansfield.edu/career) provides information for alumni about resumes, interviewing, job searching, and career shifts.

"Most people change careers about four times, so being skilled in career navigation is important. Just because you graduated doesn't mean you can't

use our services," Julia Overton-Healy, director of the CDC, said. "Alumni are very welcome at the CDC, and we're always happy to help."



Marissa Kosydar '05, Stacey Long Girven '99, Jim Mazonkey '81, Ashley Beck Wagner '02, Irene Moore Morgan '81, Jon Carpenter '01. Inset: Carl Steingraber '71, Susette Sharretts McConaghay '90.

In the fall of 2006, the CDC will expand on-campus recruiting by having more company representatives visit the campus to meet with students about career and internship opportunities. "Campus recruiting is a way for an organization to recruit talented, energetic and well-educated workers or interns for little cost," Overton-Healy said. "Our office works with companies to arrange a campus visit day, setting up whatever the recruiter wants to do, from visiting classes, to hosting an information session, to holding formal interviews."

Any alumni interested in returning to campus to conduct recruiting or simply to talk with students about your organization, may call the CDC at (570)662-4133.

On October 20, the CDC, partnering with the Alumni Relations Office, will host an Alumni Career Day. Alumni Board members and other Mansfield University graduates will return to campus to visit classrooms, host informational meetings and participate in a mentor luncheon.

"Mansfield University has been the pivotal change-maker in the lives of our alumni, and it's important that current students connect with alumni and reap their wisdom," Overton-Healy said. "We have so many alumni with interesting and distinguished careers. I hope Alumni Career Day can create a bridge between current students and alumni regarding career options, strategies and advice."

To get involved with this event, contact Overton-Healy at (570)662-4820 or joverton@mansfield.edu

Alumni Association Leadership

The Alumni Association Board of Directors summer meeting was held on June 10 in conjunction with Alumni Weekend.

During the meeting the board recognized Tim J. Kelleher '78 '82 and Ellen Fischer Marx '76 for six years of service and Robert J. Garofalo '60 for three years of service. All three are retiring from the board.

Carol Himmelreich Brann '60, Andrew A. Carola '53, Melissa J. Signor '93 and Jerome P. Wood '77 '78 will continue to serve on the board and were recognized for three years of service.

The board welcomed newly selected members Amy Dupree Brooks '80, vice president of sales for Susquehanna Trailways (Avis, PA); Beverly Wilber Evans '69, retired educator (Millerton, PA); Richard A. Kimble '89 '94, middle school principal (Corning, NY); Bonelyn Lugg Kyofski '62, retired professor (Nelson, PA); and Carol J. Waton '78, Cooperative Education Coordinator (Turbotville, PA).

Also at the meeting, the following board members were elected to leadership positions: Barbara A. King '78, president (Exton, PA); Jerome P. Wood '77 '78, first vice president (Mechanicsburg, PA) and Melissa J. Signor '93, second vice president (New York, NY).

The 18-member volunteer board promotes and supports the mutual interests and successes of the university and its alumni. Two of the primary objectives of the board are to assist the admissions department in the recruitment of quality students and to foster fellowship, loyalty and

commitment of MU alumni through a variety of programs, benefits and events.

If you are interested in being considered as a board member and sharing your time, talent, and treasures, contact Denise Berg, director of Alumni Relations, at 570-662-4853 or dberg@mansfield.edu

Dear
Mansfield
Alumnus,



We hope you are doing well and enjoying life after "school!" We are very interested in hearing from you and would like to invite you to participate in an alumni survey. Your comments will contribute to the ongoing improvement of academic and student life at Mansfield.

Respondents will be eligible for two lottery drawings of ten \$50 gasoline gift cards upon completion of the survey. You should have received a postcard from us in the mail. Please check this for more information if you graduated during 2001-02 and 2004-05.

If you did not receive a postcard, please email Denise Seigart, interim associate provost at dseigart@mansfield.edu. We look forward to hearing from you!

Michael Renner
Office of the Provost

Reconnect, Rediscover, Renew: Alumni Weekend 2006

More than 350 alumni, family and friends returned to campus for Alumni Weekend 2006, held June 8-11.

The weekend included several social events including an Italian theme buffet with musical accompaniment provided by Numa Snyder '42, the Alumni Golf Tournament at Corey Creek Golf Club, which raised \$13,000 for athletic scholarships, a bus excursion to Yorkshire Meadows, tours of North Hall and campus guided by the MU Student Alumni Ambassadors, the always popular "LobsterFest," class meetings, an ice cream social — this year with musical entertainment provided by the Supies of '61, the Saturday evening dinner and dessert buffet. All offered opportunities to renew acquaintances and make new ones.

"We traveled from California and it was wonderful to see retired and current faculty and staff," Emebet Berhanu '86 '88 said. "My daughter (Arsema, age 5) loved the tour of Yorkshire Meadows."

The Class of 1956, celebrating its 50th anniversary, was this year's honored guests for alumni weekend.

Thirty members of the class returned to MU and were recognized at a luncheon on Saturday. The Class of '56 endowed a scholarship fund as a special gift to the University.

"Thank you for the very special weekend honoring the Class of 1956," Marcella Hyde-Smith '56 said. "It was a time to remember."

Also honored at the luncheon were this year's Society of Honors award winners. Leonard Givens '65 received the Alumni Citation Award. Robert Shorb '76 was presented with the Elsie Burke Service Award. Robert Bogart '83 was named this year's Outstanding Young Alumni. The Distinguished Educator Award was presented to Richard Hutchinson '50. For more on the Society of honors inductees see page 13.

"Mansfield is really blessed to have so many loyal alumni," Interim President David Werner told the luncheon gathering. "You truly are one of the great assets of this institution. Kay and I have really enjoyed our time here. Its all about people and this place has great faculty, staff, students and alumni."

A popular addition to this year's weekend was the alumni "takeover" of WNTF-FM. Former staffers of the student radio station returned to fill shifts as DJ's, spin some tunes, read the news and reminisce. In addition to being on the air for all the campus and surrounding community to hear, the weekend's shows were broadcast over the worldwide web through the station website.

"It was great being back with the whole WNTF gang and having the chance to go back on the air," Bogart '83 said.

"Thank you for making all of us feel so special and so welcome," Stu Weiss '80 added. "We had a blast!"

Mark your calendars for next June 7-10, and make your plans now to be a part of Alumni Weekend 2007.



Interim President David Werner accepts a check to fund an endowed scholarship from Quentin Masolotte on behalf of the Class of 1956.



Numa Snyder '42 serenades Michelle Williamson Kersteen '74 during the Italian dinner.



The alumni "takeover" of the WNTF radio station allowed these "DJ's" to broadcast live during Alumni Weekend and relive the good old days!



Gordon Landefeld (age 4) attended with his grandparents Carol Birth Burrows '58 and Glen Burrows and quickly became friends with Arsema Alemayehu (age 5) who attended with her parents Emebet Berhanu '86 '88 and Enu Alemayehu



Laurie Bowen Frey '84 urges MU's newest graduates to "make a difference."

Alumni Association Welcomes Newest Members

Before they walked across the stage to receive their diplomas, MU's newest graduates were welcomed by the Alumni Association at the annual Graduation Celebration on May 12. The event brings together graduates, and university administration, faculty and staff on the day before Commencement.

Laurie Bowen Frey '84 was the guest speaker.

Frey, who graduated with a bachelor's degree in Theatre and went on to earn a Master's in Theatre Directing from SW Texas State, has spent 20 years in theatre and promotions, including a stint as illusionist David Copperfield's tour general manager.

A cancer survivor, she is writing a book and producing Journey for Life, a musical comedy where humor, faith, relationships and emotion intersect and motivate the main character in her battle against breast cancer.

"How are you wired?" she asked the new graduates. Recounting how cancer changed her perspective on life, she urged them to "Make a difference. Whether it's in one life, your company or community. Be true to who you are and be fundamentally wired."

In addition to the Graduation Celebration, the Alumni Association treated the graduates to a picnic, served by senior administration officials, after Commencement practice.



FROM YOUR ALUMNI DIRECTOR

There were numerous get-togethers this spring, both on campus and regionally (see page 14). On March 1, alumnae returned to campus and joined together with current students to celebrate Delta Zeta's 40th reunion, to reminisce and to plan for the future of the sorority. In April, the Eta Epsilon chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha celebrated its 35th anniversary with an alumnae picnic. Sophomore Darcie Kline shared with us, "We were very pleased with the turnout of alumnae and the interest they continue to have in our sorority. It was fun for the current sisters to get to know the alumnae that helped develop the chapter into what it is today!"

Of course the most popular get-together, which lends itself to all types of reunions, is Alumni Weekend. And this year was no exception. Former DJs of WNTe (most from the 70s and 80s) returned to campus and "took over" the radio station! They provided live coverage of the weekend events, accepted call-in requests and "had a blast."

For many – including the Kappas, the Epsilons, the TKEs and Sig Taus – the golf tournament and the Lobsterfest were the places to rediscover their camaraderie.

The Supies of '61 reunited and volunteered to share their musical talents at the Ice Cream Social. In true Sinfonian spirit, they recruited current students

of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia to sing with them, and the fantastic harmony was appreciated by all who had the good fortune to be in attendance.

Retired faculty renewed friendships at Saturday's luncheon and reunion classes with years ending in 1 and 6 received special recognition as well. The Class of 1956 celebrated its 50th reunion and members proudly presented President Interim David Werner with a check for \$11,565 to fund an endowed scholarship. Thirty of the 74 known living class members (41%) attended the special celebration, and 47 class members (64%) made a contribution to the class gift. For more on Alumni Weekend see page 10 and Society of Honors page 13.

Hope to see you on campus this fall for Homecoming, September 22 & 23. See page 15 for complete information and to register!

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Alumnae and current students joined together for a picnic to celebrate Zeta Tau Alpha's 35th anniversary.



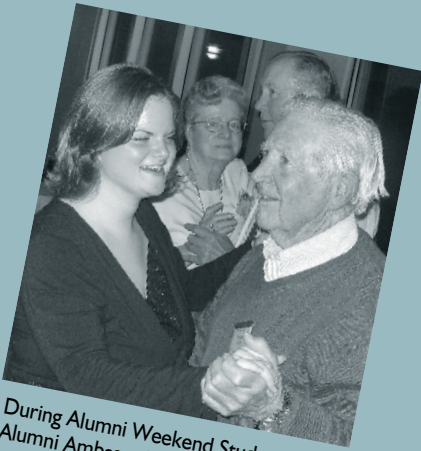
Jim Stroud and Wanda Storms Stroud '83 get reacquainted with Maryann and Joe Maresco (retired VP for Student Affairs) during the Alumni Weekend LobsterFest. More than 200 alumni and friends registered for this popular event.



1961 Music graduates who came back to campus for Alumni Weekend. Seated: Brenda Button West, C. David Kaley. Standing: Donald Souder, Bernard Hahnke, Anthony Eastwood, Linda Dix Lee, Nancy McDivitt Hampton, Patricia Brown Davis, Peter Sanden, Kirk Dunklee.



WNTe DJs Stu Weiss '80 and Tom Vought '80 are "Back on the Air!"



During Alumni Weekend Student Alumni Ambassador Rebekah Burke and Arnie Parker '40 were joined by Marilyn Melhuish '56 and Hank Katzwinkel as they all enjoyed a spin around the dance floor.



Class of 1956. Row one: Marlene Borck Wetmore, Marion Glossner Hoffman, Margaret Reed Coles, Polly Benfield Hinder, Ruth Parisella Von Nieda, Genevieve Madigan Corwin, Ethel Space Yusko, Sharon Danks Lambert. Row two: Lucy Nixon Walbridge, Gail Snyder McBride, Sylvia Shearer Waterman, Janet Manbeck, Marilyn Melhuish, Marcella May Hyde-Smith, Jean Marie Phillips, Doris Neiley, Sonia Houck Swimley, Dorothy Swayne Earl, Eleanor Seely Stilwell. Row three: David Lapp, Roger Davies, Quentin Masolotte, Joseph Valentinelli, Frank Pecaitis, Donald Williams, Warner Houth, Merle Stilwell, E. Edward Thompson, Robert Terry. Not pictured: John O'Donnell.

Eye of the Storm: MU Alumnus Recounts His Year after Katrina, (continued from page 1)



Aerial photos of the Tulane University campus after Hurricane Katrina. Photos courtesy of The Associated Press.

when a phone call came from the dean of the medical school.

“He called us to Houston, Texas during Labor Day week to do something never done before — restart a medical school in a different city within three weeks,” Markert said. “I retraced my path south with Houston being my destination just six days after re-locating to Pennsylvania.”

Restart a medical school in a different city within three weeks.

A monumental task to say the least. “Unimaginable” is how Markert described his initial reaction after getting the call. “Imagine taking Mansfield and all its programs and relocating them to Philadelphia,” he said. “Students, faculty, staff, facilities, resources, everything. We had 600 students, 500 residents, 600 faculty and instructors and 1,000 staff. And we did it.”

Remember that laptop that Markert packed with his one change of clothes when leaving New Orleans? “It was one of four computers that contained curriculum information and other records that allowed us to restart our school,” he said. “Amazingly, we were able to identify the resources to operate one of the nation’s outstanding medical schools from the Texas Medical Center for the 2005-06 year. We met the challenges of relocating hundreds of students and dozens of faculty to Houston, reconstructing our curriculum and resources, and placing hundreds of medical students and residents in clinical settings.”

In addition to the resilience of Tulane’s faculty, staff and students, Markert credits the staff at the Texas Medical Center (“they took us in and were amazingly supportive”) and the entire medical school community for helping pull off this Herculean effort.

Markert was among a group that ventured back to New Orleans three weeks after Katrina hit, to try and retrieve anything from their facilities they could. There wasn’t much.

“The devastation was beyond belief,” he said. “We had a police escort because it was a dangerous place. I got to my apartment and salvaged a few personal things. Anything else that was usable I donated to anyone who could use it.”

As fate would have it, the already delayed start of the school year had to be delayed again because Hurricane Rita threatened Houston in mid-September, but it proved to be a minor annoyance compared to everything they had already gone through.

“During September 2005 I called 13 different residences, hotels and other places home,” Markert said. He settled in a small one bedroom apartment, furnished with a mattress, a card table and a few kitchen necessities, but Markert didn’t spend much time there. He and his fellow faculty and staff were putting in 16 and 20 hour days to get Tulane



back in the medical school business and keep it there. “We had no idea what obstacles we’d have to overcome on any given day,” he said.

And keeping their students in these trying circumstances is something that Markert marvels at. “We had zero percent attrition,” he said. “Of the students we got to Houston, and a few couldn’t make the move due to family situations, we kept them. These students are something special.”

Finding Love in the Library

The surprises in Markert’s life weren’t over yet. One day, while he was doing research one day in Baylor School of Medicine Library in Houston, he met Marsha Liu, a member of the Baylor staff.

“I always wanted to meet my wife in a library rather than a bar,” he said laughing. “And I did.”

The two met, fell in love and decided to marry.

But before the wedding, Markert’s life took another potentially cruel twist. In March he was diagnosed with prostate cancer. After undergoing surgery in April, and taking a whole week off to recover, he was back at work.

“We had to keep going,” Markert said in his very matter-of-fact manner. “There was still so much to do. I had a meeting in the same hospital where my surgery was performed seven days earlier.”

After the surgery and subsequent treatment, Markert is happy to report he is cancer free. And now, on top of the 16 to 20 hour days of work, there was a wedding to plan. He and Marsha were married on June 17 in Houston.

Liu has two daughters, ages six and 10, and knowing that New Orleans was not very “family friendly right now,” as he put it, Markert and Liu decided to find someplace else to start their new life together. That someplace was a very familiar place to Markert. He accepted a new position at

Wright State University Medical School in Dayton, OH, where he was on the staff from 1980 to 2000.

“It’s a great fit,” he said. “It’s a place I know, an area I like, one of my daughters (Markert has two adult daughters from a previous marriage) lives nearby with her three children. We’re excited and, after everything we’ve been through, moving is no big deal.”

Moving On

One of the last Tulane staffers left in Houston in mid-June, Markert reflected on his year as the students and staff returned to New Orleans and he prepared for his new life in Ohio.

“I don’t know where, Mansfield was definitely a part of it, but I now know I developed the ability to go to work, no matter what the circumstances,” he said. “There isn’t anything we can’t handle if we put our minds to it. It was very difficult, very challenging but also very rewarding. This experience also gave me a real appreciation for the high quality people I work with. I believe our students will be better doctors having gone through this. I believe our faculty and staff will be better teachers and I believe we will all be better people.

I know I will.”



Markert and Marsha Liu, who he met in Houston and married in June.



Markert (right) with Tripp Frasch (left), educational technologist, and Kornelija Juskaite, (center) program manager in the “boiler room” most of the Tulane faculty and staff used as an office in the Texas Medical Center. Markert points out that Frasch and Juskaite were two of the staff he was allowed to bring from New Orleans. Many others had to be laid off. He is also happy to report that Juskaite gave birth to her first child, a boy, in May in Houston.

2006 Society of Honors

Each year the Alumni Association honors alumni for their outstanding achievements in four categories.

A luncheon and ceremony recognizing their accomplishments is held during alumni weekend. If you know of a deserving alumnus or alumna who might qualify for one of the four categories, please use the nomination form on page 17, or contact Denise Berg at dberg@mansfield.edu.

This year's honorees are as follows:



(L-R) Richard Hutchinson '50, Robert Shorb '76, Robert Bogart '83, MU Interim President David Werner and Jeanne Smith, who accepted the Alumni Citation Award on behalf of classmate Leonard Givens '65 who was unable to attend.

The Alumni Citation Award

LEONARD D. GIVENS '65

The Alumni Citation Award, established in 1969, recognizes contributions to society through professional, civic and philanthropic work. After graduating from Mansfield with a B.S. in history, Leonard Givens earned his Juris doctorate from Howard University in 1971. He joined the Detroit law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. in 1971, and became a principal in the firm in 1978. Givens served as CEO from 1991–94 and as the Labor and Employment Law Practice Group leader from 1982–92 and 1995–2004. Givens holds membership in numerous organizations including the American Bar Association, the Michigan Bar Association, the National Bar Association, and the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association. Givens was honored by *Corp! Magazine* in June 1999 as one of "Southeastern Michigan's 10 Best Lawyers for 1999," and by *Crain's Detroit Business* as one of Metro Detroit's "Most Influential Black Business Leaders" in March 1998. He is listed in the Labor and Employment Law Section of the 2003–2004 and 2005–2006 editions of *The Best Lawyers in America*, and in the Labor and Employment Law Section of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, 2003–04, 2004 and 2005 editions. In 2003, Givens was inducted as a Fellow into the prestigious College of Labor and Employment Lawyers. Givens serves as a board member for Homes for Black Children, The Nature Conservancy of Michigan, the Metropolitan Affairs Coalition, and is a former member of the Detroit Regional Chamber. He resides in Troy, MI.

The Elsie Burke Service Award

ROBERT D. SHORB '76

The Elsie Burke Service Award, established in 1983, recognizes outstanding loyalty and service to Mansfield University. Bob Shorb has been an active advocate and liaison for the university for many years. He was a class agent for the Annual Fund campaigns from 1991–95. Shorb was a member of the Alumni Board from 1997–2003, serving as president in 1998–2000, and as the Alumni Board representative to the University Foundation Board. From 2000 to 2001, he served as the non-voting alumni representative to the Council of Trustees. During his board tenure he was instrumental in getting alumni more involved in the admissions process, representing alumni during the initial discussion of Mansfield's first comprehensive Capital Campaign planning session and shaping alumni commentary in the strategic goals of *The Mansfield Plan*. Shorb was featured as the MU Senior Brunch speaker in 1990. He received the MU Young Alumni Award in 1992 and was the Commencement speaker in 1993. After earning his B.S. in Secondary Education-Social Studies in 1976, Shorb completed his M.S. in Education in College Student Development Services at Alfred University. He is the director of student aid and family finance at Skidmore College and is an active volunteer serving on numerous national, regional and local association boards. Shorb and his wife Janice live in Gansevoort, NY and are the parents of three children: Meredith, a sophomore at Vassar College, Kimberly and Stephanie.

The Distinguished Educator Award

RICHARD G. HUTCHINSON '50

The Distinguished Educator Award, established in 1986, recognizes outstanding service and dedication to education. After graduating from Mansfield with a B.S. in Secondary Education in 1950, Richard Hutchinson

went on to earn an M.A. from George Peabody College and a Doctorate in Education from Pennsylvania State University. His career in education was evenly divided between public schools and colleges. As the Coordinator of Social Studies and English in Springville, NY schools, he developed an honors program for outstanding students. Hutchinson also directed plays and eventually founded the Annual Community Musical and an adult dramatic group called the "Springville Players" which is now in its 45th year. He received scholarships and a fellowship from the University at Buffalo, San Jose State, Santa Clara and Penn State. He was also the recipient of the Study Grant in India by the U.S. Department of Education. Hutchinson's career at the college level began as the Director of West Virginia's Region VI Teacher Education Center. From there he went to the State University College at Potsdam, NY, eventually becoming the director of Student Teaching and Teacher Certification. In addition he was the director of the North Country School Study Council, presenting in service programs to teachers in four New York counties, as well as three counties in neighboring Ontario, Canada. He was the recipient of the Potsdam "President's Award for Outstanding Service," and upon his retirement was named Professor Emeritus. He and his late wife Joyce have three children: Debra, Lee and Bonnie, eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Hutchinson and his current wife Sharon, live in Sun City, SC, where they are very active in the Sun City Community Theater.

The Outstanding Young Alumni Award

ROBERT S. BOGART '83

The Outstanding Young Alumni Award, established in 1986, is given for outstanding professional performance and achievements to those who have graduated in the last 25 years. Robert Bogart earned his B.A. in Mathematics from Mansfield in 1983 and his M.S. in Mathematics from Bucknell in 1985. That same year he began employment at the National Security Agency (NSA) where he went through a rigorous three-year program designed to expose newly hired mathematicians to various areas of the Agency. Upon graduating from the program, Bogart accepted a position as a Manual Cryptanalyst. In 1990 he moved to an opening at the National Cryptologic School, NSA's training facility, where he teaches Cryptanalysis courses to Agency employees. He has written two textbooks for use in the NCS Cryptanalysis curriculum, both of which are classified and unavailable to the general public. Bogart has worked on several high-profile cryptanalytic projects, including decipherment of the Unabomber's encrypted journals. Bogart has appeared in TV reports about NSA on the Discovery Channel and on the History Channel. He has been a finalist for the National Cryptologic School's coveted annual "Teacher of the Year Award" three times, won the Agency's "Technical Talk of the Year Award" in 2002, and was presented with both the "National Intelligence Meritorious Unit Citation" and "Joint Meritorious Unit Award" in 1997. His outside interests are focused on the Philadelphia Phillies. Bogart was recognized by the Phillies organization at the start of the 2000 season as a "Fan of the Century," an honor only bestowed on 10 fans, one born in each of the ten decades of the 1900's. He has also been a member of the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR) since 1990, and is responsible for keeping and updating the Phillies team records for *The Sporting News'* annual Baseball Record Book. Bogart lives in Glen Rock, PA, with his wife Lauri, son Ryne and daughter Christy.

MU in Florida

In March travelers from Mansfield received a warm "Spring Break" greeting from MU alumni and friends in Florida.

Interim President David Werner, his wife Kay, Vice President for Advancement Maureen McKenna and Director of Alumni Relations Denise Berg were joined by Director of Athletics Roger Maisner and Ralph Meyer, campaign chair and member of the MU Council of Trustees, at gatherings throughout the state of Florida.

Former President Rod Kelchner and his wife Joan were able to attend a number of the events.

The variety of activities provided a unique time for Mansfield supporters of all ages to get to know one another – from current students and their family members, to members of the Council of Trustees and Alumni Board, current and retired faculty and staff, and MU friends and alumni from all decades - from the mid 1920's through 2003.

On Saturday, March 11, alumni and friends gathered for a wine appreciation and lunch at Fred's in Sarasota. A delicious brunch was enjoyed at the Celebration Hotel on Sunday, March 12. Thanks to hosts Tony '73 and Tish '72 Fiamingo, golfers enjoyed an afternoon of golf at the Solana Golf Course at Pelican Preserve on Monday, March 13. A crowd of more than 50 cheered on the Mountaineer baseball team in Ft. Myers on Tuesday, March 14. Most of the group gathered for a bar-b-que picnic following the game.

On Wednesday, March 15, a relaxing lunch was enjoyed at the Bayside Grille in Naples.

There were door prizes at all events with a special door prize – a tinted lithograph of North Hall – awarded to Robert '52 and Mary '50 Rodine of Indian Rocks Beach.

Thanks to the Mansfield alumni and friends who help to coordinate and host our Florida events.



Naples. MU professor Charlie Seidel, Marilyn Daron Young '51, Teresa Carola, Andy Carola '53, Bill Young '53.



Sarasota. Standing: Dorothy Orme Scaggs '74, Lew Lee '62, Bonnie Haire Robbins '74, Linda Dix Lee '61, Jeannette Brown, Dorothy West, Lt. Col. Arden Smith, Ron Logan '62, Robert Rodine '52, Helene Trimborm Messner '64, Tom Allis '57. Seated: Leona Kissell Haire '34, Philip Brown '49, Beverly Evans Dunham '50, Mary Jones Rodine '50, Ed Gordon, Dorothy McCabe Gordon '54, Bill Messner '64.



Sarasota. Standing: Denise Berg, Bruce Broadbent, Joyce Broadbent, Ralph Meyer, President David Werner, Stan Mokrzynski, Jay Riley '94, Zack McKenna. Seated: Maureen McKenna, Mary Kay Logan, Lois Allis, Kay Werner, Donna Congdon Mokrzynski '55, Jennifer Waverka '03.



Ft. Myers. Standing: Ryan Riley '09, Lance Miller '09, Jerry Noel, Tyler Noel '09, Leslie Noel, Denise Miller. Seated: Martha Riley, Cliff Riley.



Celebration. Standing: Denise Berg, Zack McKenna, President David Werner, Ralph Meyer, Roger Maisner, Ralph Rogers '58, Len Yusko '57, Maureen McKenna. Seated: Harry Maisner, Marge Maisner, Janice Terry Sylvester '51, Ethel Space Yusko '56, Kay Werner, Barbara Major Rogers '58.



Ft. Myers. Dave Kuchinski '67, Carol Klink Kuchinski '68, Christine Kaminski Smith '68, Donald Smith '68, Bill Messner '64, Helene Trimborm Messner '64.



Naples. Standing: Maureen McKenna, Emma Yengst Benner '63, Peg Ireland McCloskey '63. Seated: Gail Fitzwater Truax '60, Grace Truax (Mansfield Normal 1925-1927), Bennie Truax '58.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 22

- 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Kelchner Fitness Center open.
Usage is free to Mansfield University Alumni during Homecoming Weekend. Call 570-662-4234 for racquetball reservations. To learn more visit the Fitness Center website www.mansfield.edu/~fitness/
- 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
North Hall open.
- 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Campus Bookstore open, Alumni Hall
MU alumni receive 20% Homecoming discount on clothing and MU logo items!
- 8 a.m.
Homecoming Golf Tournament, Corey Creek Golf Club
Shotgun start at 8:45 a.m. Proceeds benefit MU Athletic Scholarships.
\$100 nonmember/\$85 member of Corey Creek Golf Club – includes all fees, lunch and beverages. Lots of contests and great prizes! Contact your friends and form a foursome or contact us and we'll arrange a foursome. If you or your company is interested in becoming a sponsor or donating a prize, contact Roger Maisner, Director of Athletics at 570-662-4636 rmaisner@mansfield.edu or Alex Ogeka, Director of Development for Athletics at 570-662-4380 aogeka@mansfield.edu
- 5:15 p.m.
Hall of Fame reception, dinner and induction ceremony, North Dining, Manser. Reception 5:15 p.m., Dinner at 6 p.m. Reservations required. Cost is \$20 per person.
2006 inductees: Molly Dry, coach; Craig Jobes, Football; Charlie Phillips '79, Baseball; Tom Wallon '65, Baseball & Basketball; and Rod Kelchner, coach.
- 8 p.m.
Pep Rally, South Hall Mall (Inclement weather – The Hut). Join the "Spirit & Pride of Pennsylvania" Mountie Marching Band, the Mountaineer Football team, cheerleaders, and the Homecoming candidates.

Saturday, September 23

- 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Campus Bookstore open, Alumni Hall, Student Center
MU alumni receive a 20% Homecoming discount on clothing and MU logo items!
- 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Kelchner Fitness Center open
- 10 a.m.
Homecoming Parade, Main Street
- 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Alumni Tent Party, adjacent to Van Norman Field. Our tent party grows more popular every year! Free MU logo item to first 300 MU Alumni! Bring the kids – we'll have activities to entertain them while you enjoy the refreshments and visit with friends. You'll be treated to a personal performance by the "Spirit & Pride of Pennsylvania" Mountie Marching Band! Reservations appreciated.
- 11 a.m.
Women's Alumni Softball Game, Lutes Field. For more information contact Head Coach, Edith Gallagher 570-662-4633 or egallagh@mansfield.edu
- 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.
North Hall open
- 1 p.m.
Mounties Football vs. Lock Haven
12:30 p.m. Pre-game introduction of 2006 MU Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees
Halftime: Homecoming Queen/King Coronation and Marching Band Performance.
- 4 – 6 p.m.
Alumni Greek Mixer, upstairs at Marks' Brother's Restaurant
To register or for more information email mugreekalum@hotmail.com

Sunday, September 24

- 1 – 11 p.m.
North Hall open.
- 1:30 p.m.
MU Women's Soccer vs. West Chester
- 2 – 10 p.m.
Kelchner Fitness Center open.

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REGISTRATION FORM

For additional info please call 570-662-4179 or e-mail alumni2@mansfield.edu

Please complete and return the form by September 15, 2006 to:
 Alumni Relations Office
 Mansfield University
 525A North Hall
 Mansfield, PA 16933

Name _____

Maiden Name _____ Class Year _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

E-mail _____

Please list who will be attending with you and their class year if a Mansfield Alum: _____

q Check enclosed payable to: MUF, Inc. – Homecoming

q Please bill my credit card: q MC q Visa

Card # _____ Exp. date _____

Signature _____

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Homecoming Golf Tournament # ____ of reservations x ____ = \$ _____

\$100 nonmember/\$85 member Corey Creek Golf Club

Hall of Fame Dinner & Induction # ____ of reservations x \$20 = \$ _____

____ Chicken

____ Beef

Please note that reservations for the Hall of Fame dinner will be accepted until capacity is reached, which may be earlier than the September 15 deadline

If you are attending to support a particular Hall of Fame inductee, please include their name here:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Alumni Tent Party # ____ of reservations @ \$3 pp = \$ _____

Total = \$ _____

If you must cancel your reservations for any of the above events, please inform the Alumni office at 570-662-4179. Thank you for helping us manage our costs!

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Gazebo Donated by Professor

MU Couple Discover it on Alumni Weekend

There is now a gazebo on the lawn in front of Grant Science Center that, while new, looks as if it has always been there.

Donated by Larry Schankman, associate professor of School Library and Information Technologies, the new addition to campus was put in place in June. "MU has always been very good to me and I wanted to give something back," Schankman said. "I hope the students, staff and faculty like it and hang out there."

"Larry said he always felt the campus needed a gazebo," Maureen McKenna, vice president for University Advancement, said. "A place for people to be able to go and relax, read, maybe eat lunch. He very graciously offered to donate it and wanted to do so in memory of his brother Forrest. I think it's a great addition to campus and, if you're like me, once you see it, you'll feel like it's been there forever."

McKenna credits Annette Mase of the University Advancement staff, who researched the type of gazebo Schankman wanted and identifying a local vendor, and the MU grounds crew and Director Ben Jones for researching the best possible site and arranging for the preparation of the site.

Brian '05 and Stephanie Adams Ulmer '04, pictured in the new gazebo on Alumni Weekend, are a story unto themselves.

The Ulmer's, both former Student Alumni Ambassadors, returned to campus and celebrated their first wedding anniversary by volunteering to work on Alumni Weekend.

"We had always taken time off from our summer vacations when we were in school to come back and work Alumni Weekend," Stephanie Ulmer said. "So we figured why not. Brian and I always enjoy Alumni Weekend. We met at Mansfield and we love coming back, hearing all the stories and helping out Denise."



Brian '05 and Stephanie Adams Ulmer '04.

"They worked the whole weekend and were a tremendous help," Director of Alumni Relations Denise Berg said. "Saturday night at dinner we discovered that, while Brian and Stephanie were celebrating their first, Sonny (Houck) ('56) and Dwight Swimley ('54) were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. They also met at Mansfield. It just made a great weekend even more special."

Alumni & Friends — Come Cruising With Us

MEXICAN RIVIERA January 17-25, 2007

This unique 8-day itinerary is a great way to experience the exotic Gold Coast of Mexico. Sail roundtrip from Los Angeles to four spectacular seaside cities. Fares start at \$1100 per person and include round-trip air (from Pennsylvania). A valid US passport is required.

DAY	PORT	ARRIVE	DEPART
January 17	Los Angeles, CA		4 pm
January 18 -19	At sea		
January 20	Acapulco, Mexico	11 am	
January 21	Acapulco, Mexico		12:30 am
January 21	Zihuatanejo/Ixtapa, Mexico	7 am	2 pm
January 22	Puerto Vallarta, Mexico	9 am	5 pm
January 23	Cabo San Lucas, Mexico	8 am	4 pm
January 24	At sea		
January 25	Los Angeles, CA	7 am	

Jewels of China – River cruise/land tour April 7–18, 2007

Travel along the legendary Yangtze River (four nights, balcony cabin) and explore China's renowned imperial treasures (six nights on land at 5-star hotels) as you travel from Shanghai to Beijing. This trip is fully escorted from airport arrival to departure, includes 12 private tours with English-speaking guides, and many meals and special activities. Prices range from approximately \$3000 - \$4000 per person double occupancy and include round-trip air from Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Newark and Atlanta (call for pricing from other cities), and all intra-China flights and appropriate hotel/airport/ship transfers. Optional pre-cruise package includes Hong Kong and Guilin.

April 7	Depart USA
April 8-10	Shanghai
April 10	PM flight to Yichang, board ship
April 11	Three Gorges Dam
April 12	Three Gorges & Lesser Three Gorges
April 13	Fengdu – Snow Jade Cave
April 14	Chongquing/Xian – Disembark ship, fly to Xian
April 15	Xian/Beijing – PM flight to Beijing
April 16	Beijing – Great Wall
April 17	Beijing – Tiananmen Square, Summer Palace
April 18	Depart Beijing for flights to USA



BRITISH ISLES July 3 – 16, 2007

This 10-day cruise, sailing roundtrip from London (Southampton), England. Ports of call include Guernsey, England; Holyhead, Wales; Dublin and Belfast, Ireland; Glasgow, Kirkwall, Inverness/Loch Ness and Edinburgh, Scotland and Paris, France. Pricing starts at approximately \$3500 per person double occupancy and includes roundtrip airfare from Philadelphia or Newark. Call for pricing from other cities.

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Outstanding Student Named

Amanda Rothrock (left) accepts the 2005-06 Outstanding Student Service Award from Emilee Danielson '04, graduate assistant for Greek Affairs and Community Service Learning, during the 17th annual Student Activities Outstanding Student Awards Banquet on April 17. The celebration honors students

for their achievements and recognizes the time and effort put forth by the various advisors to the many student organizations on campus.

Twenty-four students were nominated for the outstanding student service awards. Each nominee received a certificate of merit.

Rothrock of Berwick, PA was nominated by Delta Zeta. She was also honored with a Greek Life Award for excellence in academics and was one of 28 MU students inducted into *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*.

Spreading the Word about MU

Alumni continue to play a very important role in the recruitment of quality students to Mansfield. Many volunteer to attend admissions receptions in their home area to share their MU experiences. Others have taken time to write to prospective students.

The admissions and alumni staff members would like to express their appreciation to all the alumni who assisted the MU admissions staff at a college fair, reception or by writing postcards to prospective students this year.

The following alumni assisted the admissions staff at recruitment receptions in their geographical region:

Altoona, PA

Patricia Burris
Danielle Raybuck Erdley '00
Aaron Erdley '00
Meredith Burris Jackson '00
Thomas Taylor '74

Bethlehem, PA

Dana Peters Huber '01
Michael Litzenberger '00
Suzanne Yeager Litzenberger '01
Ellen Fischer Marx '76

Corning, NY

Andrew Carola '53

Harrisburg, PA

Nicole Ruth '03
Jerome Wood '77 '78

Lancaster, PA

Brendan Cregan '89
Kimberly Martin Cregan '89

Lewisburg, PA

George Beyer '58
Carol Himmelreich Brann '60
Brian Ulmer '05
Stephanie Adams Ulmer '04

Philadelphia, PA

Barbara King '78
Amanda Ward '04
Robyn Williams '05
William Walsh '78

Rochester, NY

Sarah Fischer '03
Krista Tyner '04

Sayre, PA

Andrew Carola '53

Wilkes-Barre, PA

Cliff Morales '96

Williamsport, PA

Timothy Kelleher '78 '82
Buddy Njere '05
Melissa Signor '93
Yin Yang '04

The following alumni assisted with the postcard campaign to potential students.

Russell Althouse '04	Carolyn Stuby Fugate '74	Richard Miller '84
Patrice Ametrano '87	Robert Garofalo '60	Brian Morton '05
Andrew Analore '92	Mark Gendle '04	James Moyer '02
Jared Barden '03	Dana Peters Huber '01	Timothy Mulroy '03
Margaret Spearly Bauer '73	Meredith Burris Jackson '00	Laura Frederick Nagorny '93
Benjamin Becker '04	Christopher Johannessen '90	Elyse Papa '93
Stacy Haugh Billet '98	Ericka Milczarski Johnston '03	Sharhonda Pointer '96
Janet Fetherbay Bird '72	Terry Johnston '00	Roseana Robinson '05
Elwood Boone '71	Pamela Pflieger Kemp '76	Timothy Rooney '88
Kimberly Cardone '04	Saron Ketema '04	Michael Ruhl '02
Jennifer Codd '99	James Kimmel '83	Nicole Ruth '03
Brendan Cregan '89	Karen Krouse '00	Jessica Evans Savitski '04
Shelby Derry '01	Angella Hoffman Laubach '03	Sara Snitchler '03
Donna Baier Dorey '72	Suzanne Yeager	Theresa Stanford '04
Aaron Erdley '00	Litzenberger '01	Jessica Swank '03
Danielle Raybuck Erdley '00	Ryan Manning '00	Lashonda Thomas '03
Meghan Evans '03	John McHale '58	Anna Tkachenko '05
Christopher Fluck '88	Anne Metarko '02	Maria Trego '03
Lisa Matthews Fluck '90		Amanda Ward '04

If you are interested in helping the Admissions Department contact Tam Soderberg at 1(800)577-6826, Ext. 4814 or tsoderbe@mansfield.edu

Attention Alpha Sigma Alpha Alumnae

The Delta Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Sigma Alpha is in the process of updating its records.

"We would love to hear from alumnae who are interested in getting back in touch with us," Alyssa (Klementisz) Guers '00 said. "We just celebrated our 36th Anniversary and are working on plans for our 40th. We are very excited about celebrating this milestone with sisters past and present. We also have a group website that we are pleased to announce that has 135 active and alumnae sisters registered."

Anyone wanting more information can e-mail footballsunshine@yahoo.com or call (818)9804234. Make sure to send us your latest address, phone number and email address to receive information on plans and upcoming events.

Wondering What Your Classmates are Doing Now?

With the 2007 edition of the Mansfield University Alumni Directory as a reference, you'll soon be able to catch up with old friends and former classmates. This special Sesquicentennial edition is scheduled for release in the spring of 2007.

Information for the directory is being researched and compiled by Harris Connect. Harris will be contacting alumni by email and mailing questionnaires in August and September. If you think we might not have your current address, please contact the Alumni Office at alumni2@mansfield.edu as soon as possible so we can make sure you receive a directory questionnaire. Please take a few minutes to update your information when you are contacted – and be sure you're included so old friends can find you.

Our Alumni Directory will be the most up-to-date and complete reference of more than 21,000 Mansfield University grads ever compiled. This comprehensive volume will include current name and name when a student (if different) as well as class year(s) and degree(s) earned from Mansfield University. Each biographical listing will also include home address and phone number, names of spouse and children, in addition to detailed professional information.

The new 2007 edition will list alumni alphabetically with the information outlined above, by class year, by geographic location and by occupation in our special career networking section. It will also include a historical look at Mansfield and special audio and video highlights on the CD-ROM edition.

With your participation, the 2007 sesquicentennial edition of the Mansfield University Alumni Directory is sure to be a great success. Thank you in advance for your support.

Hall of Fame to Welcome Five New Members

Five Mountaineer greats have been elected to the Mansfield University Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame. Molly Dry (coach, head athletic trainer 1962-72), Craig Jobes (football), Rod Kelchner (coach), Charlie Phillips '80 (baseball) and Tom Wallon '65 (basketball) will be inducted during Homecoming Weekend.

The inductees will be honored at a dinner and awards ceremony on Friday, September 22 and introduced before the football game against Lock Haven on Saturday, September 23.

For dinner reservations see page 15. For more information call (570)662-4179 or email awhittak@mansfield.edu

Society of Honors Call for Nominations

To nominate Mansfield University Alumni for the following award(s), please check the applicable category. Complete the form below and attach a narrative citing the basis for the nomination.

q **ALUMNI CITATION**

Recognizes outstanding achievements and contributions to society through professional, civic and philanthropic work.

q **DISTINGUISHED EDUCATOR**

Recognizes outstanding teacher, principal or administrator, for service and dedication to education.

q **ELSIE BURKE SERVICE**

Acknowledges outstanding loyalty or service to Mansfield University.

q **OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNI**

Given for outstanding professional performance and achievements to alumni who have graduated in the last 20 years.

NAME OF NOMINEE: _____ GRAD YEAR: _____

ADDRESS: _____

YOUR NAME: _____ GRAD YEAR: _____

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Questions? 570-662-4179

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FOOTBALL

September

10	1 p.m.	Shippensburg (Josh Palmer Pigskin Classic)
16	6 p.m.	@ Slippery Rock
23	1 p.m.	Lock Haven (Homecoming)
30	1 p.m.	East Stroudsburg (Parents/Family Day & Fabulous 1890s Weekend)

October

7	6 p.m.	@ Kutztown
14	1 p.m.	@ Cheyney
21	1 p.m.	Bloomsburg (Take a Kid to the Game Day)
28	1 p.m.	@ I.U.P.

November

4	1 p.m.	@ West Chester
11	1 p.m.	Millersville (Senior Day)

WOMEN’S SWIMMING

October

14	11 a.m.	@Penn State-Altoona
21	1 p.m.	@Bloomsburg Relays
28	1 p.m.	@Bloomsburg
29	11 a.m.	@Millersville

November

4	11 a.m.	Lock Haven
11	1 p.m.	Edinboro & Kutztown
17-19		@I.U.P. Invitational

January

13	1 p.m.	@East Stroudsburg
20	1 p.m.	Wells & Pitt-Bradford

February

3	1 p.m.	@East Stroudsburg B-Invitational
14-17		@PSAC Championships, West Chester

FIELD HOCKEY

September

2	11 a.m.	@Stonehill College
3	noon	@Bryant
4	1 p.m.	UMass-Lowell @ Bryant
9	7 p.m.	@Bloomsburg
13	4 p.m.	@Shippensburg
16	1 p.m.	@Kutztown
17	1 p.m.	I.U.P.
19	4 p.m.	Millersville
23	12:30 p.m.	@East Stroudsburg
24	1 p.m.	@C.W. Post
30	2 p.m.	@I.U.P.

October

3	4 p.m.	Bloomsburg
7	noon	Shippensburg
11	4 p.m.	Kutztown
14	noon	@Millersville
17	4 p.m.	East Stroudsburg
22	1 p.m.	Bellermine (Site TBA)
25	4 p.m.	Mercyhurst (Senior Day/ Family & Friends Day)

MEN’S BASKETBALL

November

21	7 p.m.	@Messiah
29	7 p.m	Keystone

December

2	3 p.m.	Clarion
3	3 p.m.	I.U.P.
9		@Bowie
19		@Lock Haven
20		@Shippensburg
29	8 p.m.	@Wheeling Jesuit
30	2 p.m.	West Liberty State @ Wheeling Jesuit

January

6		@California
10	7:30 p.m.	Millersville
13	3 p.m.	Edinboro
14	3 p.m.	Slippery Rock
17	7:30 p.m.	Kutztown
20		@Cheyney
24	7 p.m.	Pitt-Johnstown
27	3 p.m.	@West Chester
29		@East Stroudsburg
31	7:30 p.m.	Bloomsburg
3		@Millersville
7	8 p.m.	@Kutztown
10	3 p.m.	Cheyney
14	7 p.m.	@Pitt-Johnstown
17	3 p.m.	West Chester
21	7:30 p.m.	East Stroudsburg
24		@Bloomsburg

WOMEN’S SOCCER

August

8/25	@West Chester
8/26	1 p.m. @Georgian Court
8/30	4 p.m. Shippensburg
2	1:30 p.m. Bloomfield
5	7 p.m. @Bloomsburg
7	@Lock Haven
9	1:30 p.m. Kutztown
13	4 p.m. East Stroudsburg
17	2 p.m. @Caldwell
21	4 p.m. @Millersville
24	1:30 p.m. West Chester
27	7 p.m. @Shippensburg

October

3	4 p.m.	Bloomsburg
5	4 p.m.	Lock Haven
7	1 p.m.	@Kutztown
11		@East Stroudsburg
14	1:30 p.m.	Pitt-Johnstown
21	1:30 p.m.	Millersville

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

November

18		@Alderson-Broadus
21	7 p.m.	Houghton
25	2 p.m.	Messiah

December

2	1 p.m.	Clarion
3	1 p.m.	I.U.P.
19		@Lock Haven
20		@Shippensburg
30	1 pm.	@Goldey-Beacom

January

6		@California
10	5:30 p.m.	Millersville
13	1 p.m.	Edinboro
14	1 p.m.	Slippery Rock
17	5:30 p.m.	Kutztown
20		@Cheyney
27		@West Chester
29		@East Stroudsburg
31	5:30 p.m.	Bloomsburg

February

3		@Millersville
7	6 p.m.	@Kutztown
10	1 p.m.	Cheyney
17	1 p.m.	West Chester
21	5:30 p.m.	East Stroudsburg
24		@Bloomsburg

CROSS-COUNTRY

September

2	11 a.m.	Mountaineer Flatlander Opener, Lambs Creek
16	10:30 a.m.	@Husky Invitational, Bloomsburg (Women)
10:30 a.m.		@Bald Eagle Invitational, Lock Haven (Men)
23	11 a.m.	@Spiked Shoe, Penn State(Women)
30	10 a.m.	1890s Mile, Mansfield

October

7	11 a.m.	@National Invitational, Penn State
14	11 a.m.	@Slippery Rock Invitational
21	11 a.m.	@Elizabethtown Invitational
28	11 a.m.	@PSAC Championship, Bloomsburg

November

4	11 a.m.	@NCAA East Regional, Slippery Rock
11	11 a.m.	@NCAA National Championship, West Florida U.

INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

December

2		@Cornell Relays
9		@Kent State

January

13		@U. of Rochester Invitational
20		@PSAC West, Slippery Rock
26-27		@Findley Open

February

2-3		@New Balance Collegiate Invitational, New York City
2		@RIT Invitational
3		@DeSchraver Invitational, East Stroudsburg
10		@Kane Invitational, Ithaca
10		@Valentine’s Day Invitational, Boston,
16		@CTC Indoor Championship, New York City
17		@Kent State Last Chance Meet
24-25		@PSAC Indoor Championships, East Stroudsburg

March

2-3		@ICAAA/ECAC Meet, Boston
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Jeremey Confer

Chris Cummings

Cummings and Confer Earns All-American Honors

Chris Cummings made school history as he finished sixth in the indoor mile at the NCAA Division II National Championships held in Boston in March. He becomes the first person in Mansfield University history to be named NCAA Division II All-American in any track and field event.

Cummings backed that performance up by finishing second in the 1500 meter finals at the NCAA Division II National Championships in Emporia, KS in May, earning All-American honors with the highest national finish by any Mansfield athlete in the athletic program's 148-year history.

Cummings, a junior and a native of Mansfield, complete the indoor course in 4:09.34. At the outdoor national meet, he ran 4:01.67.

Jeremy Confer also earned All-American honors at the outdoor nationals by throwing a personal best by 13 feet to land a throw of 215 feet 10 inches, placing him fifth.

Confer ends his career at Mansfield with a new school record performance, and a performance that earns him Mansfield's first All-American honors during the spring season.

MU finished the 2006 National Outdoor Championships with 12 points, the highest point total of any Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference school.

From "The Worldwide Leader in Sports"

Freddie Coleman came back to campus the weekend of April 28. Coleman, the host of ESPN Radio's GameNight, got his start here in Mansfield before landing a job with the ultimate sporting news network.

He was a standout football player for the Mountaineers during the 1985-86 campaigns, becoming only the second Mansfield wideout to earn All-PSAC East honors. Coleman averaged over 25 yards per catch during the 1985 season and was named to the All-PSAC East squad in 1986 after pulling in 41 receptions for 644 yards and four touchdowns. Coleman graduated from MU with a BA in Mass Communications in 1987. After bouncing around from job-to-job, he got his break on June 26, 2004 at ESPN.

While here on his visit, Coleman delivered a motivational speech to Mansfield athletes and coaches, emphasizing how much you can accomplish with the education and life experiences you gain at this small school. He answered questions and chatted with current athletes, joking, "Is Professor Lapps still around?" He remembered all his professors and thanked them gratefully for what they helped him accomplish.

Coleman also served as the master of ceremonies at the annual Frank A. Butsko Award breakfast held by the football team, and stayed to enjoy the annual spring Red and Black game at Karl Van Norman Field.

GameNight is carried by more than 300 affiliates nationwide and airs nightly from 7 p.m. to 1a.m. ET. Coleman can be heard Friday through Monday.



Freddie Coleman '87 talks with students during his visit to campus last April.

The Test of Time: Terry Stanley '74 Sets World Record

When Terry Stanley '74 won the Presque Isle Marathon in Erie, PA last September, he was gratified with the victory, especially having bested a field of mostly younger runners, but didn't think much more of it.

But after reflecting on the win for a few days, and the fact that he won the same event 28 years before, Stanley began to wonder if that was some sort of record for time between wins in the same race.

A call to *Runner's World* magazine led to an inquiry to Ken Young of the Association of Road Racing Statisticians and a few days later came the news. Stanley set a new world record, by more than two years, for time between wins in the same marathon.

"It means a lot to me," Stanley said. "When you see the top 50 list, names like Ron Hill and Frank Shorter, it's flattering to see my name with them."

Stanley, who has been a teacher and now an elementary school principal in Eldred, PA for 32 years, came to Mansfield without even visiting the campus. The late Bob Maxon saw him run in a state high school meet and offered him a partial scholarship and a work-study job and he took it.

"He (Maxon) put us through the grinder," Stanley said. "He brought in a bunch of freshman, guys like Chris Bernard and Mike Woodring, to try and turn the program around. We stuck together, worked hard and did well. Coach Maxon taught us the importance of discipline and hard work."

Stanley thought his running career would end after college but it was far from over. He has competed all over the world, was invited to the U.S. Olympic Trials in 1980 and now, along with his many wins, has the title of world record holder.



Graduates from 1967 to 2006 who attended Alumni Weekend. Robert Shorb '76, Emebet Berhanu '86M88 and daughter Arsema Alemayehu, Sharon Nye Carbone '72, Paula Johnson Hess '79, Leslie Johnson '91, Philip Schwartz '71.



(L-R) Ruth Izer Arduini '47, Christina Black Keller '67 and Belinda Jelinek Moore '73 are shown at a Red Hat Society gathering in Jersey Shore, PA last April. All three Home Economics graduates are retired from teaching in the Jersey Shore School District.



Home Economics graduates from 1961 who attended Alumni Weekend. Seated: Pauline Richards Wood, MaryBelle Madore Mitten. Standing: Elizabeth Holland Lounsbury, Lois Larson Shoemaker, Marie Trapani Souder, Susie Pringle Sword, Margaret Bailey Fowler, Dorothy Corcoran Lane, Patricia Rex, Ethel Preston Sanden, Beryl Kelly Frey, Helen Mazikewich Hand, Marilyn Lewis Guffey.



Graduates from 1941 to 1957 who attended Alumni Weekend. Seated: Arnold Parker '40, Marjory Eick Knowlden '46, Janet Read '46, Janice Madigan Kennedy '46, Clara West Escott '46. Standing: Eleanor Missimer Clark '46, Bob Killgore '57, Betty Jean Rex Killgore '54, Doris Reigle Thompson '54, Patricia Feig Osani '54.



The Kappas return to campus for golf, lobster, and to help raise money for athletic scholarships.



Kelly Carey '92 '96 was named School Psychologist of the Year by the Association of School Psychologists of Pennsylvania during the association conference in Harrisburg last March. Carey is school psychologist at Clear Run Elementary Center in Coolbaugh Township.



1966 graduates came back to campus for Alumni Weekend. Front seated: Martha Mann Maruca, Georgia Brooke Baker, Barbara Gamble Shenk. Back: Linda Minich Queipo, Suzanne Fretz McCool, Kenneth Masteller, Steve Pregmon, Linda Lacock Hottenstein, Kathleen McCallie Smith, Eleanor Spangler Jisa, J. Harlo Smith, Anne Wentlandt Cheezum.



Graduates from 1957-1959 who returned for Alumni Weekend. George Beyer '58, John "Jiggs" McHale '58, Donald Johnson '59, Sheldon West '59, Laurence Biddle '59, Robert Saar '59.

Legacy Society



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Elisabeth Schnell Holvey '29
Inez Taylor Harman '33
Margaret Fredenburg '37 '50
John Jay Hyder '37
Marian Kresge '37
Janet Jones Westcott '37
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Josephine Goshinski Larison '41
Dorothy Borden Heyler '42
John P. Campana '43
Sherry Peard Harer '43
Jack D. Prutsman '49

Charles R. Wilson '49
Martin E. Smith '63
Winifred Losey '64
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Charles A. Marcavage '73
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William Pearson
William Sylvester
Ann Owlett Wilcox

MANSFIELD CALENDAR OF EVENTS

August

- 24-9/28Sculpture, Paintings & Prints by Darryl Abraham, University Gallery
- 24-25University Meeting Days
- 28Convocation, 2 p.m.
Classes Begin, 4 p.m.

September

- 4Labor Day-No Classes
- 7Darryl Abraham, Reception & Gallery Talk, University Gallery, 4 p.m.
- 18Frederick Douglass Institute presents, Bernice Johnson Reagon, Steadman Theatre, 7 p.m.
- 22-24Homecoming 2006
- 27Council of Trustees Meeting, NH Community Room, 11 a.m.
- 29-30Fabulous 1890s Weekend
- 30Parents & Family Day
- 30Prism Concert Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.

October

- 1Prism Concert Steadman Theatre, 3 p.m.
- 3-11/7MU Art Department Student Show, University Gallery
- 10Opening Reception University Gallery, 4 p.m.
- 16-17Fall Holiday-No Classes
- 21Jazz Ensemble/Mansfieldians, Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.

- 22Octoborfest, Steadman Theatre, 7 p.m.

- 28Major Donor Dinner, Manser North Dining Hall, 6 p.m.

- 28Choral Collage Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.

- 30Octubafest Steadman Theatre, 8:15 p.m.

November

- 5Symphony Orchestra, Steadman Theatre, 3 p.m.
- 9-12/13Exhibit TBA, University Gallery
- 10Opera Workshop Concert, Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 11Jazz Ensemble, Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 15Council of Trustees Meeting, NH Community Room, 7:30 p.m.
- 19Concert Wind Ensemble Steadman Theatre, 3 p.m.
- 22-24Thanksgiving Holiday-No Classes

December

- 2Holiday Choral Concert Steadman Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- 3Holiday Concert, "Ring Out Wild Bells," Steadman Theatre, 3 p.m.
- 5Mansfieldians Holiday Concert/ Dinner at the Wren's Nest, 6:30 p.m.
- 6Orchestra Holiday Concert, Steadman Theatre, 8 p.m.
- 16Fall Commencement, Decker Gymnasium, 1 p.m.

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